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## Students video veterans at Mercy Manor

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A group of Grayling High School students captured the stories of local veterans last week.

Members of the Student Senate from Grayling High School interviewed and made videos of seven of the 11 war veterans who currently reside in Mercy Manor.

The videos will be edited and compiled for the school's annual Veteran's Day program, which the Student Senate is charged with organizing.

"This is a way to bring local history into our program and educate our children about the resources that we have right here in our own backyard," said Dale Forcier, the Student Senate advisor.

Bill Rutter served in the Army during World War II. He told the students how his company was stationed in France before they invaded Germany.

"They bombed every inch of ground that you could see for a long way," Rutter said.

Rutter served as a clerk, and his main duty was to record the deaths of the soldiers.

"It was a horrid job," he said.

Jim Brown, a member of the Marine Corps during World War II, told the students how he fought in the Battle of Tarawa.

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

Members of the Student Senate from Grayling High School interviewed and made videos of seven of the 11 war veterans who currently reside in Mercy Manor. Above, Grayling High School Student Senate members Cayla Johnson and Ashley Feldhauser visit with World War II Army veterans Edd Ladd and Bill Rutter.

## Ex-police officer arrested as part of drug roundup

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A former Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy, who served as a school liaison and DARE officer, was arrested for a felony drug charge last week.

William John Bonkowski, 45, was arrested for a charge of controlled substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana on Thursday, Feb. 28. He faces up to four years in prison and a \$20,000 fine if convicted.

The arrest of the ex-deputy concluded a week long round up of drug arrests in Crawford County. Strike Investigative Narcotics Group (STING) officers, supported by Crawford County Deputies, arrested 11 suspects ranging in age from 17 to 50-years-old, with charges ranging from possession to the delivery of pills, cocaine and marijuana. The arrests are the result of a yearlong investigation regarding tips, complaints and surveillance of suspected drug

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## Andy Hunter performs with Saturday Night Live band

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A Grayling jazz musician achieved another milestone in his career, playing with the Saturday Night Live band last weekend.

Andy Hunter served as the trombonist with Saturday Night Live's house band for last weekend's episode.

Hunter, who lives in Brooklyn, plays in the Mingus Big Band. He was referred for the Saturday Night Live gig by a member of the band to fill in for the regular trombone player. The band member had made a commitment for another performance prior to the end of the recent writer's strike, which threatened to cancel the Saturday Night Live season.

Hunter, who has toured the nation with the Mingus Big Band and regularly performs in China, said it was a thrill to perform with the Saturday Night Live Band.

"This is nice icing on the cake for all of the things that have been happening for me," Hunter said.

The show was hosted by Ellen Page, the star of the movie "Juno." Presidential candidate Sen. Hillary Clinton, and former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani,

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Grayling native Andy Hunter, above, served as the trombonist with Saturday Night Live's house band for last weekend's episode.

## Mediation hearing ordered in fire department dispute

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

46th Circuit Judge Janet M. Allen ordered City of Grayling officials and Grayling Charter Township to attempt to mediate the dispute over the jointly run fire department.

Allen, during a pretrial hearing on Monday, told the municipalities to participate in a mediation session as they are preparing for a trial over the fire department operations and assets.

In January, the township board authorized the lawsuit against the City of Grayling. Township officials are seeking the return of a committee of township and city officials to oversee the operations of the Grayling City/Township Fire Department.

The lawsuit was prompted after failed negotiations to renew a mutual operating agreement between the city and the township, which expired in June

2007.

The Grayling City Council has proposed that the Grayling City/Township Fire Department be considered as a department of the city, and should be administered by Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

An advisory committee, made up of representatives from the township board, the city council and a citizen of either the city or township, would be appointed. The committee would not have the authority to enter into contracts or agreements, acquire, hold or dispose of property or incur debts, liabilities or obligations.

Township officials have balked at the proposal, seeking to have a committee of city and township officials administer the operations of the fire department. Township officials claim

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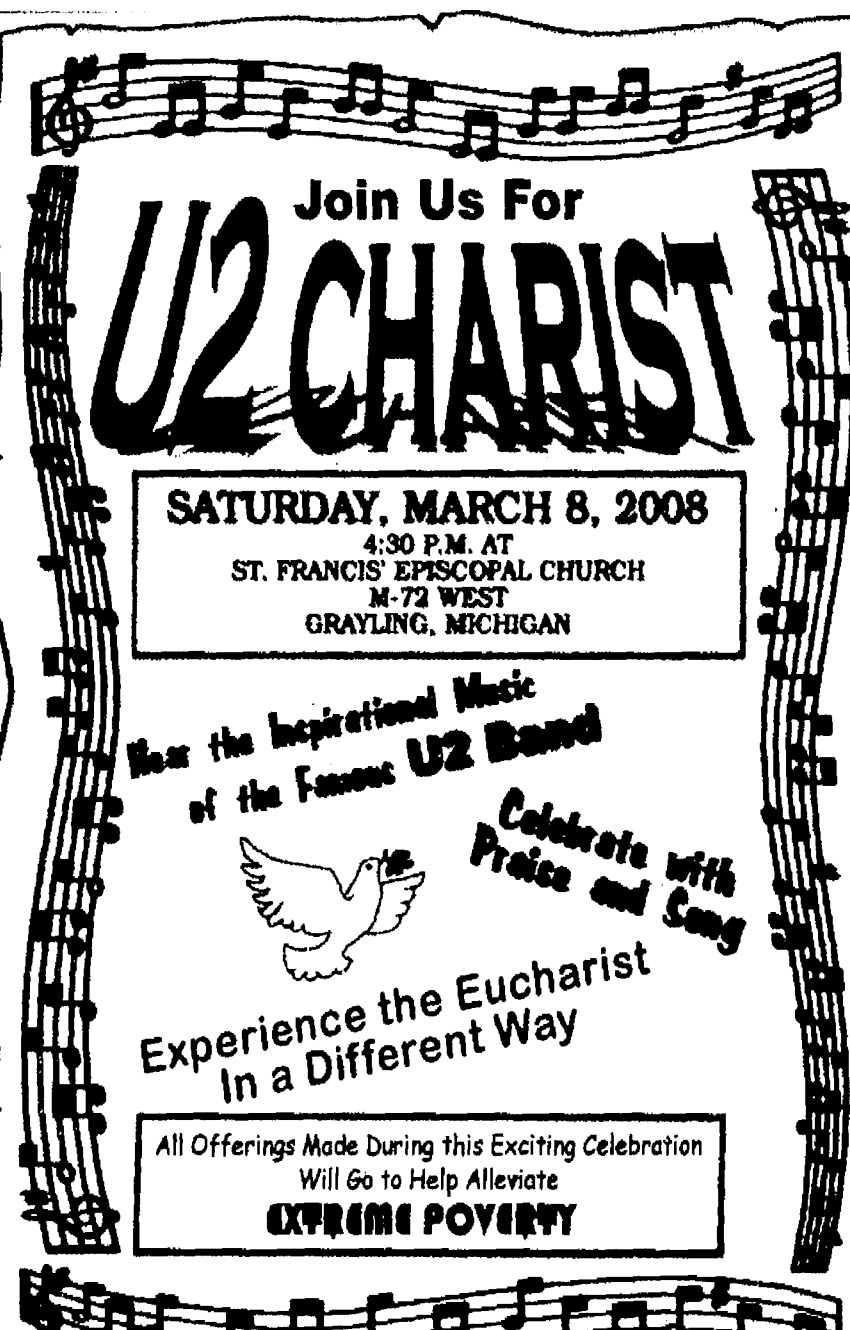
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## Camouflage Club makes deer head mounts



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The Camouflage Club, a club that offers after school activities for boys at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, took part in a program called "Hammer Time" last week. Jason McLean, co-owner of McLean's Ace Hardware, was on hand to demonstrate a number of tools for the youngsters. Afterwards, the boys made wooden deer head mounts using tree branches and twigs. The wood for the project was donated by AuSable Woodworking. The wooden figure was inspired by a deer mount received from Leslie Devereaux, the donor who gave \$500,000 to the citizens of Crawford County in 2001 to have the library built in honor of her family. Above, McLean examines the deer head mount made by Dominic Misuraca, age 8, a Grayling Elementary School third grader.

## City deals with junk and vehicle ordinance language

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer  
The Grayling City Council

updated its nuisance ordinance last week to address junk and inoperable vehicles.

The council, at its regular meeting, amended the city's nuisance ordinance to upgrade the definition of junk and operational vehicles.

Under the changes, junk is defined as discarded wood products, building materials, paper and paper products, furniture, household goods and appliances. Tools, non-operational lawn mowers and other small engine machinery, parts of motor vehicles, commercial or consumer machinery and other obsolete equipment is also described as junk under the ordinance changes.

An operational vehicle, under the ordinance updates, must have all necessary driving units and gears in operating condition, must have four tires capable of

holding air and a battery capable of starting and operating the vehicle and its accessories. The vehicle must also have a current license plate and must be insured.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said the portions of the ordinance were updated because citizens, who have been charged with nuisance violations, claimed the ordinance was overly broad and vague.

46th Circuit Court Judge Janet M. Allen also recommended city officials update its nuisance ordinance regarding junk following a recent hearing in the Crawford County Circuit Court. Allen provided a copy of the City of Gaylord's nuisance ordinance to city officials. Thayer and City Attorney Dave Sabin also reviewed nuisance ordinances from a number of other communities while studying the updates.

"It's been tightened up, and I think we're in pretty good shape," Thayer said. "I think we've addressed the Constitutionality shortfalls that might be alleged."

At the council meeting, the council also addressed a nuisance violation involving one of its own members.

The city council established a timeline for Roger Moshier, a city council member, to clean up the Moshier Auto Repair property located at 104 Ogemaw St.

The council gave Moshier 10 days to have his auto repair garage secured from the possibility of illegal entry. He was also ordered to have the building inspected during the same timeframe, to ensure the safety of the structure. The council deferred its decision on whether the building should be razed or brought

up to code until after the inspection.

The council gave Moshier until June 30 to have all unlicensed vehicles and junk removed from the property.

Moshier agreed to the timetable. He acknowledged that there are some issues with his building, which is 80 to 90-years-old, but believes that it is sound.

"It's got cosmetic problems, but structurally, I think there is not a problem," he said.

Moshier said it is disheartening that city officials are targeting him and other city residents. He said that some people have to wait to get their cars and buildings fixed due to the current economic woes.

"It's getting to the point where people are just getting by," Moshier said. "The economy is in the toilet right now."

Moshier added that the city's nuisance ordinance may result in a storage yard being located in Grayling Township. He also noted that a Mio firm is currently in the process of buying property in the Grayling Industrial Park to salvage vehicles.

Moshier was given until June 30 to have his property cleaned up. He appealed to the council to have the deadline extended, since he works as a bus mechanic for the Crawford AuSable School District, serves as a bus driver and runs the auto repair business.

"I've had that business for years and raised five kids from income from that business," he said.

Moshier said he hopes that the tough stance taken by city officials does not cause the community to lose its character.

"The old town isn't what the old town used to be and I just hope it doesn't lose its personality," Moshier said.

Thayer said the city would go to court to enforce its ordinance if the agreement with Moshier is not followed.

"The status quo is over," Thayer said.

Thayer said that city officials have compiled a list of nuisance properties in the community, and are tackling them one-by-one.

"We are following the voice of our constituents who have said - clean up the town," Thayer said.

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one of the bloodiest battles against the Japanese in the Solomon Islands, in the South Pacific.

"We annihilated them, but they wiped us out," Brown said.

Brown said it was a blessing that the United States dropped the atomic bombs on Japan to force an end to the war.

"It would have been a blood bath," said Brown, who served as a machine gunner. "Thank God we dropped the bomb."

Brown said he appreciates the students taking the time to learn about the veterans' war experiences.

"These boys and girls need to know what war is all about," he said. "There is no glory in war."

Harold Hatfield served in an Army tank destroyer unit during World War II. Hatfield said the tanks he traveled in were equipped with 3-inch naval guns.

"We could reach out and bang on their door really well," Hatfield said.

Hatfield recalled how he was wounded when a tank he was riding in was hit with a bomb shell. Hatfield, a former Grayling City Police Officer and Crawford County Sheriff, went through two years of bone and skin grafts in Army hospitals after being wounded.

"We were strung out too far and too thin, without enough of the perimeter covered," Hatfield said.

Edd Ladd served as an Army cook during World War II. Ladd,

who has a miniature American flag on his scooter, said he appreciates the students showing their patriotism.

"I fly the flag, one way or another, all the time," Ladd said.

Alyssa Lewis, age 16, a Grayling High School junior, said she was honored to visit the veterans.

"This is just another way for the students to realize what they went through and I thought it was a really nice way to get the whole school involved with it," Lewis said.

Ethan Lewis, age 15, a freshman, said he appreciated hearing the stories from the veterans first hand.

"Some people have perspective on how war is, and I was glad they got to share their stories with us," he said. "I think the students are going to be more aware of how wars used to be fought, compared to how wars are fought nowadays."

Jessie Baker, age 17, a senior, said she was pleased to honor veterans for their service. Baker's brother, Mike Tremblay, is currently serving in the Army in Iraq.

"It's important for me to be aware of what's going on and to show the veterans and soldiers that they are being supported because they need our support," Baker said.

The program was coordinated by Darlina Welt, a member of the Carl W. Borchers Post of the V.F.W. #3736's community service committee.

Welt contacted Forcier and

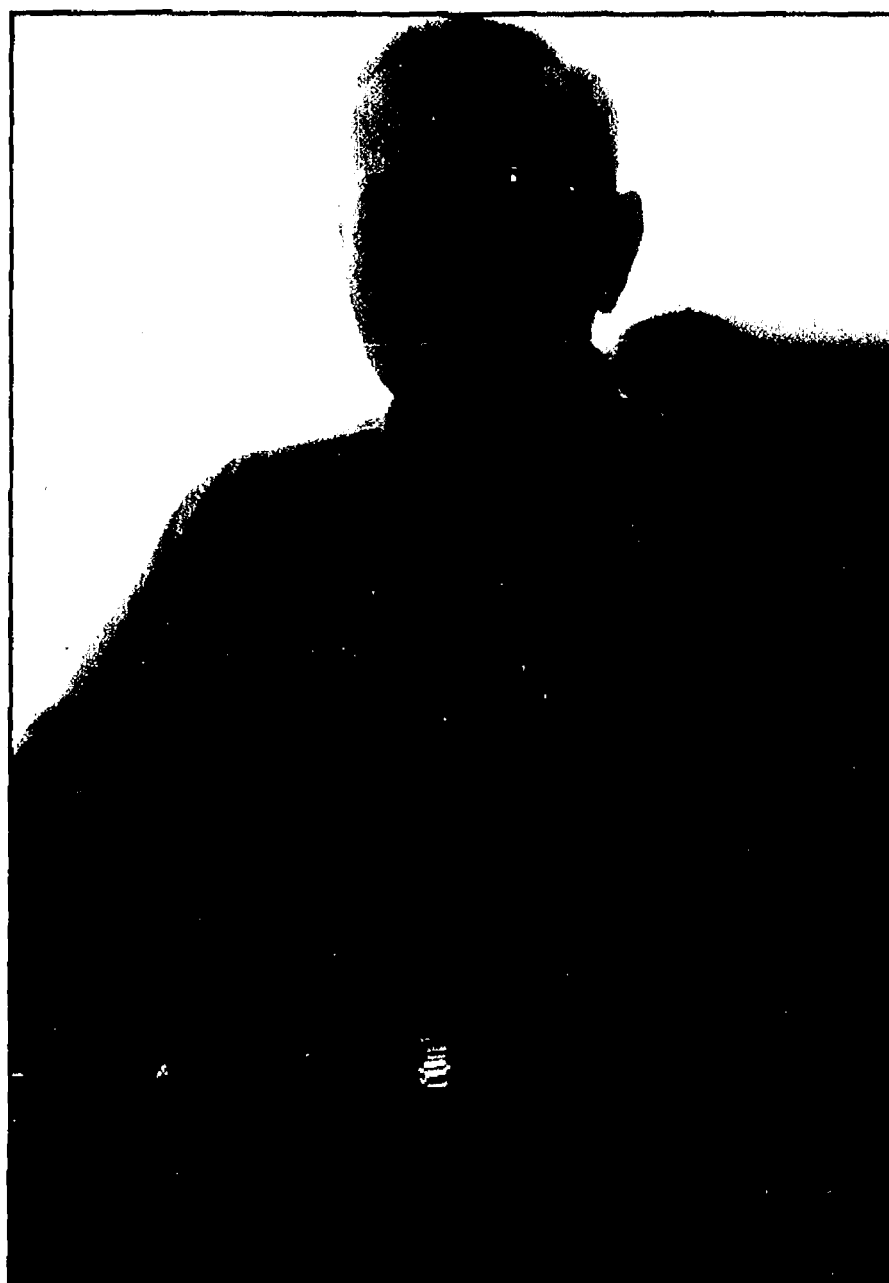


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**Harold Hatfield, above, served in an Army tank destroyer unit during World War II. Hatfield recalled how he was wounded when a tank he was riding in was hit with a bomb shell. Hatfield, a former Grayling City Police Officer and Crawford County Sheriff, went through two years of bone and skin grafts in Army hospitals after being wounded.**

Cheryl Kiessel, the activities director at Mercy Manor, after learning of similar initiatives of documenting veterans being

done by the Library of Congress.

"We don't want that part of history lost forever," Welt said.

## Andy Hunter performs with Saturday Night Live band

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also made surprise visits.

Hunter said the show involved him and a number of rehearsals. Producers of the show also gave him cues through ear monitors where to play and end the songs for the show to coincide with the commercial breaks.

"It's interesting, because you have to be on your toes all of the time," he said.

Hunter said someone had joked with him about the possibility of playing with the Saturday Night Live band when he was a youngster. He said it was a dream to perform with the Mingus Big Band when he visited New York as a teenager.

Hunter said he hopes his story inspires other youngsters to follow their dreams.

"This whole world is really wide open for anybody who takes a chance and puts in the time," he said.

Hunter's father, John Hunter, who served as a Crawford County District Court Judge for several years before recently retiring, gathered with his family at his home to watch the show. John Hunter said it was a thrill to see Andy performing before and after the show and in between the comedy skits.

"I think it's wonderful," John Hunter said. "It's a good opportunity for him to get some international recognition. He's worked very hard at his art, and it's good recognition for him that his hard work is paying off."

Andy's mother, Barb Hunter, a Spanish and English teacher at Grayling High School,

offered her own show-and-tell on Monday for students and colleagues by playing a tape of the Saturday Night Live program.

"It sure was fun seeing him back there playing his horn, and even if you couldn't see him a lot of the time, you could hear his music and recognize his tone," Barb Hunter said.

Barb Hunter said that Andy asked for a trombone from Santa when he was a first-grader. He began taking trombone and piano lessons as a child.

Hunter attended Grayling High School through the 10th grade. He then graduated from the Interlochen Center for the Arts. Hunter earned his bachelor's degree in music from the Oberlin Conservatory, and then went out to receive his master's in jazz degree from Rutgers University.

Hunter lived in and performed with bands in Cleveland, before making the move to New York.

"It's definitely his passion, and it's definitely wonderful to see Andy make achievements where his passion lies," Barb Hunter said.

John Hunter said Andy had argued with him about taking his trombone on a hiking trip to Alaska after he graduated from Interlochen.

"He settled on just taking taking the mouth piece," John Hunter said. "That's how focused he is on his art."

## Mediation hearing ordered in fire department dispute

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that they have had an agreement to operate the fire department with the city for 61 years.

The operating agreement, that expired between the city and the township, required the township to pay 70 percent of the operating costs for the fire department and the city to pay 30 percent of the expenses. The proposed agreement, which officials are still abiding under, calls for the township to pay 60 percent in operating costs and the city to pay 40 percent of the expenses.

Since the City of Grayling was incorporated in 1935, it has sponsored a volunteer fire department under the city manager's direction.

The city formally created a fire department in 1947, under the direction of the city manager, and provided fire services county wide.

In 1973, the city declared that it could no longer provide fire services county wide. Grayling Township agreed to contract with the city for services. The rest of the townships started their own fire departments.

The first legal mutual operating agreement between the City of Grayling and Grayling Township was approved in 1974, according to city officials in response to the lawsuit.

In January, Thayer sent a letter to the township board, offering a fixed-fee formula to provide fire services to the township.

Richard Jaskowski, the township attorney, requested the mediation as part of an 11-hour

attempt to resolve the dispute. Township officials are seeking to divide the fire department assets, if an agreement can't be reached.

"At that point, if things fall, we know where things are going and that's to partition the assets," Jaskowski said.

City Attorney Dave Sabin objected to mediation, saying that city officials wanted to explore the value of the assets for the fire department, how they were obtained and potential remedies to resolve the dispute before trial.

Allen gave attorneys 60 days to provide lists of witnesses, expert witnesses and exhibits. Final exhibits and witness information must be provided to the court in 90 days.

Allen ordered the mediation hearing to be held prior to the end of the 90-day deadline.

Allen said that 46th Circuit Judge Dennis F. Murphy would hear the case if it proceeds to a trial.

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## Women's Day of Delight

**March 13th, 2008 ★ 11:00am-4:00pm**

**Hosted by the Crawford County Commission On Aging**  
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The Grayling Senior Center will be hosting it's first Women's Day Of Delight, in celebration of International Women's Day. The event encourages older women to indulge and pamper themselves, as well as become educated on key topics affecting women. Local businesses will be present at the event offering demonstrations and giveaways to participants. Lunch will be served at noon, and dinner at 5:00pm.

Reservations are appreciated, and can be made by calling the Senior Center.

### Featured Speaker:

Mary Seger, NP PhD will be speaking at 2pm, followed by a book signing. Dr. Seger practices Integrative Medicine at Otsego Memorial Hospital, and is a national speaker on a variety of topics. She will give a presentation entitled "The Four E's To Good Health." She is also the author of *Invite Joy Into Your Life*.



### Event Highlights:

**11:30 - Lunch**  
**12:15 - Draw Makeover Winner**  
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# OPINIONS

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## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# Presidential campaign finds new disbeliever

AS AN AVID follower of state and national politics since I was in grade school, the 2008 presidential campaign has finally taken its toll on me.

I'm now a believer, or rather a disbeliever. This presidential campaign is way too long. There's still eight months to go before the actual election, and I'm tired of it already.

Of course, it's been waged heavily in one form or another for more than a year now, and early maneuvering for months before that.

It seems as if every week there's another primary, another caucus, another state, another crisis point in selecting our next president.

Perhaps it's the pervasiveness of campaign coverage. Every network news provider has its own set of experts, and devotes untold hours of air time to guess at what's going to happen next.

Every newspaper and magazine has its own stable of experts, columnists and pundits, all trying to guess what will happen next.

Nobody really knows, but they all must sound as if they did.

IF IT'S TOUGH on the viewers and listeners and readers to be exposed to all the campaign drama, and to try to keep pace with developments, it must be even tougher yet for the candidates still left in the races.

How can they possibly come up with new ideas and new twists on old ideas and all the other rhetoric aimed to solidify choices in the minds of voters?

Somehow it will all turn out all right in the end. That's the confidence of the ever present optimist about how our country operates.

It's better than in Russia, where President Putin steps down, and is replaced by his hand-picked successor, but main-

taining effective control of everything.

It's better than Cuba, where Fidel Castro finally cedes his presidency after nearly a half century, and little brother Raul Castro takes over.

We sought more participation in our own selection process, and we got it. Instead of New Hampshire and Iowa voters directing the outcome with their early selection process, we scheduled more primaries and earlier caucuses, and the result has been participation by primary voters and caucus goers in dozens of states.

Democrats added the filip of Super Delegates, composed of and selected by seasoned party leaders with freedom of choice, just in case the people fail to make the right decisions, and the Super Delegates in their august wisdom can steer things the right way.

THERE MUST be a better way to pick a president.

A series of scheduled rotating regional primaries may be a better way to do it, but after this year's intense and grinding marathon, some doubts arise about that system, too.

There's a lot to be said for the old Smoked Filled Room method of picking candidates. States would send delegates to national conventions, which would write the party platforms and select the candidates, and put the power in the hands of the delegates ... presumably rank and file party members.

That's the way it used to be done, but fear of closed door politics led to primaries, with the more openness and wider public participation through primary elections.

Voters selected delegates committed to particular candidates.

Choices would be made state by state, instead of leaving everything in the hands of influential insiders gathered in smoke filled hotel rooms at convention time and trading votes and support for future favors and patronage, coming out of the smoke filled rooms with a candidate who was merely the consensus of party leaders.

The possibility of abuse in this system is apparent, and reformers led the way to the present system.

PERHAPS IT'S just the specifics of this particular presidential year that has affected the process.

For the first time in years, there is no incumbent president or vice president in the campaign in either party.

The reach of televised campaign is ever growing, and new sources of information - the internet, political blogging -

have intensified coverage.

The historical aspects of the 2008 election, with the intense Democratic contest between a woman candidate and a black American candidate make the campaign both fascinating and suffering from over exposure at the same time.

Sooner or later, this contest will be settled, and one or the other will become the Democratic candidate. It's possible, but unlikely, that the Clinton-Obama struggle could go to the convention floor, and decisions from the old smoked filled room method of nominating would reappear.

Finally, the real campaign then can begin.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## I remember a time

To the editor:

This letter has nothing to do with the proposed amusement park, the COA move, e-mail scams or gas prices.

I just finished looking at pictures of the AuSable on the Remax Web site (specifically the Main Branch) and felt moved enough to write this letter.

There's something about the pictures of the river that bring back so clearly what it was like when I was growing up in Grayling.

They helped me to hear, again, the murmur of the waters and the sounds of the poplar and birch leaves in the summer breeze. Add to this the scent in the air of cedar and spruce trees that arch over the stream ... well, if it sounds like a poem, you're right.

The river is a poem manifested right in front of our eyes.

As a kid I took all of this, and more, for granted. I felt that since things had always been, they would always be. I'm happy to report that that attitude has definitely changed.

When I look now at the pictures, I remember a time when all doors were open, and adventure was waiting around every bend in the stream. Although I didn't know it at the time, all of the beauty, serenity and captured joy of this natural wonder was engraving itself in my mind and in my heart.

You know, it just makes me want to get in my canoe and float downstream.

Bill Slater  
Phoenix, Ariz.

## No one compromises for the common good

To the editor:

I attended the Commission on Aging's board meeting last Thursday to present ideas and suggestions as to how we could keep the senior's dining hall at the senior center.

For at least 20 years, we have had a leasing agreement with the Grayling Housing Authority that is extraordinary in its modest cost, which is basically the price of utilities. Now I would like to rent for that, even if I thought the utilities were a bit pricey.

There is no reason to believe that the COA could not continue the lease for another 20 years. There is enough space now, and for the foreseeable future, to accommodate dinners, special events and the necessary offices to oversee the site.

Yes, there has been growth, but activities could be moved easily elsewhere, hopefully nearby. Keeping nutritional dining nearest to the aging should be important to the Commission on Aging, but it is not.

No one wanted to hear my

ideas, let alone consider them, because they have decided that staying on the premises is "not a viable option." Thanks, any other comments?

How sad, the seniors lose, and they represent a good part of our community, and the taxpayers lose again, which represents the rest of us.

Here we had a truly unique arrangement. H.U.D., a huge government bureaucracy governing the Grayling Housing Authority, will have this building sitting idle. The COA will move on at a great expense to the taxpayers. Business as usual. I am sick of it.

Do we realize how unusual it was (called fiscal responsibility or accountability) to have one government agency actually renting idle property from another? What a concept. What a country. I am just plain tired of it all. How about the rest of you? Does anybody in the government actually hear the people?

Philip Faustman  
Grayling

## Big box stores versus hometown proud

To the editor:

I am currently away for the winter months and on several occasions I needed to use the services of our local Medicine Shoppe pharmacy. It is so gratifying to be helped by either Michelle or any of her great support staff.

The feeling that you are important, and the time that they take, almost makes you feel like you just went across the street to the old Black & White and walked up to the counter and ordered your fresh meat from one of the butchers there. They are always there to assist you and to try to save you every penny they can on whatever medical needs you may encounter, and it makes one feel that there is still a personal touch and a family atmosphere.

When I usually come back home for the summer, it never fails that the feedback that I get always comes back to somebody that has a personal story to tell me of how the gang at the Medicine Shoppe has either taken the extra time to help them or tried to save them money on a prescription they needed filled.

I know we have a new box store variety drug store coming to town and I think that is great for the economy. I hope everybody buys their beer and milk there, but when you need a prescription filled, just pretend you're either headed to see Larry Mac or somebody at the old Black and White for that hometown feeling of service.

Larry Korhonen  
Grayling

## Does commissioner have a conflict of interest?

To the editor:

In the front page article in this past Wednesday's 'Avalanche', titled "Criteria for Senior Center set to be Finalized", the authors do an excellent job describing the background of the project to date and the various options for the seniors that are being explored to relocate their facility.

The authors note that there appears to be a groundswell of support by the residents and other users of the present facility to purchase and move to the Eagles building a short distance away.

We have invited many of the seniors to tour our clubhouse and see for themselves what it has to offer.

We have provided both financial and physical data on the operation of the facility that has served us so well since the late 70s.

We have spent many thousands of dollars since 2000 to upgrade and modernize our building and we believe it provides substantial value for the dollar, both for members and any potential purchasers.

Without producing a shred of evidence, County Commissioner Terry Beardslee states that he believes the Eagle's Club would not be suitable for use as a senior center. The exact quote in the Avalanche states, "I just feel a project of this magnitude, which is a major decision for you and your people, deserves the best we can get you, for the dollar."

"So, the commissioner's professional evaluation of the Eagle's property is based on "his feelings" and that a better value for the dollar could be obtained elsewhere.

We wonder if Mr. Beardslee has ever been in our building and, if so, how extensive an inspection did he make to determine its value or lack thereof.

It sounds to us that Mr. Beardslee has his own personal and business agenda as a heating and plumbing contractor in mind when he attempted to direct the seniors away from the Eagle's building and towards another facility that would require extensive plumbing and heating work. Perhaps Commissioner Beardslee should excuse himself from this process, as he is in a very apparent conflict of interest.

We, the trustees of Eagles Aerie #3465, are very proud of our building and what we and our Auxiliary have contributed to the community over the years. We look forward to further discussions with the COA and its "customers," the seniors concerning our property.

You should be ashamed of yourself,  
Commissioner Beardslee.

Michael E. Duffy  
Jerry Gosnell  
Bill Holton  
Paul Hetrick

The Board of Trustees  
Fraternal Order of Eagles  
Aerie #3465

## Township trash tax should be an option for some

To the editor:

Based on the figures stated in the article (and if I'm figuring the math and assumptions close to real world), it appears nearly one third of Grayling Township's improved property owners are not buying annual trash stickers.

I'm guessing many, if not most, are recreational owners who get whacked with the additional 18 mills of local property taxes for being non-homesteaded. An extra 18 mills that they receive nothing for and have no voice over.

For trash disposal, they might pay by the bag or take it back home to the permanent residence

for disposal, using the service they already pay for and need. The trash has to be loaded into a vehicle or trailer at the time of departure anyway. Making an extra stop to the recycling center, may be inconvenient and/or unnecessary.

For these reasons, I feel those who are paying the non-homestead millage assessment should be exempt from this new trash tax, unless they want the service.

Leave the per bag option open for part time residents and their visitors.

John Thomas  
Macomb

### Online Poll Results

Last week's online poll question and results:

#### Have you filed your tax returns yet?

Yes, I filed my tax returns. 28 votes 68%	No, but I'm working on it. 8 votes 20%	No, I plan to wait until the last minute. 5 votes 12%
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This week's online poll question: Which Michigan sports team is most likely to win a league championship this season?

To vote in our online polls, visit our Internet site:  
[www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com](http://www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com)

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# BRIEFS

## Project Graduation now collecting items

Project Graduation is now collecting items for their fund-raiser garage sale that will be held on April 19. Clothing will not be accepted. Call 348-2745 for drop-off information.

## VFW Post #3736 to hold meeting

The VFW Post #3736, and the ladies auxiliary, will hold their monthly meeting on March 11, at 7 p.m., at the American Legion Hall.

## Church to hold chili dinner

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, 501 E. Michigan Avenue, will be serving a donation only chili dinner on Sunday, March 9, at 1:30 p.m. There will also be a bake sale. The public is invited to attend.

## Free cancer screenings to be held

Free cancer screenings will be held for Crawford and Roscommon County residents, who are between the ages of 35 and 64, and are uninsured or under insured, on April 17 in Grayling. Screenings are by appointment only. Register by calling 989-348-7800 ext. 8999. No walk-ins. This free screening is sponsored by Mercy Hospital Grayling, the District Health Department #10, the Central Michigan District Health Department and the American Cancer Society and is funded by the Grayling Rotary and the North Central Michigan Community Foundation.

## Crawford County Democrats to meet

The Crawford County Democrats will gather for their regular meeting on Thursday, March 13, at 7 p.m., at the Crawford County Court House. An informal time for conversation and snacks will follow the meeting. All are welcome.

## Band boosters to hold monthly meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held Tuesday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m., in the Grayling Middle School band room. All parents of band students are encouraged to attend and become more involved in the activities that support the instrumental music program for all Grayling schools.

## Friends of the Library to hold book sale

Friends of the Crawford County Library will be holding its annual "March Madness" book sale on March 13 and 14. Wednesday, March 12, there will be a pre-sale to all Friends Members from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. If you are not a member, come in and sign up that night for \$10. For more information, call the library at 348-9214.

## Habitat for Humanity accepting applications for renovated Grayling home

The Crawford County Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications from families interested in purchasing a newly renovated home in Grayling.

To qualify to become a Habitat partner family, the applicant must be a resident of Crawford County for one year and have an unmet need for shelter. Applicants must be employed with the ability to repay the non-profit mortgage loan. In addition, they must provide a credit report and each adult in the household must be willing to commit to 250 hours of sweat equity. To become a partner family, applicants must also be able

to make a modest down payment. Applications are available at Chemical Bank and Citizens Bank. The application deadline is March 15, 2008.

For more information, contact Jeddy Hood, Crawford County Habitat for Humanity executive director at 989-348-7760.

*Habitat for Humanity of Crawford County is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action.*

## DHS awards funds for low income tax assistance

As many as 8,900 low-income Michigan residents will receive free tax assistance through 12 community organizations and nonprofit entities funded by Michigan Department of Human Services. The grantees will help low-income households in their service areas acquire Earned Income Tax Credit and other tax benefits. The grant period is January-June 2008.

"The Earned Income Tax Credit is one of the best anti-poverty tools," said Ismael Ahmed, director of Michigan Department of Human Services. "Families can receive more than \$4,000, depending on the number of dependents and their income. They can use the credit or benefit to erase debt, pay winter heating bills, put a down payment on a house, or any other use."

Federal EITC benefits for fam-

ilies with children range up to \$4,716 for the 2007 tax season. A single person without children can qualify for as much as \$428. See [www.michiganec.org](http://www.michiganec.org) for more information.

For a list of grantees, go to [http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5458\\_7691\\_7752-185746--00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5458_7691_7752-185746--00.html).

## Boating Safety and Seamanship class offered

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will offer a Boating Safety and Seamanship Class on Thursday nights, starting April 10, at the Houghton Lake Community Center, (located behind the Pines Theatre) at 2625 S. Townline Rd. from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

This course is a detailed study of safe boating techniques and provides information for the experienced boater to improve his or her skills in many areas. In addition to boating safety, the student will learn Michigan and federal boating regulations, knot tying, navigation, pollution and invasive species control, weather, marine communications and boat handling.

The Auxiliary boasts numerous instructors who have extensive knowledge and boating skills. Successful completion of this course will give the student not only a Boating Safety Certificate but also an improved level of skill and confidence regarding the proper and safe use of their boat.

The cost for this course is \$35 for one person, and if two persons taking the course can share a book, the cost is only \$40.

Preregistration is required. You can register by calling 989-821-8433 or 989-821-7833. You can also register by e-mailing your interest in the class together with your name, address, and phone number to [chuckandag@charter.net](mailto:chuckandag@charter.net).

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary of Roscommon County is the volunteer arm of the United States Coast Guard and is active in our community in many different ways. They have members in Roscommon, Houghton Lake and Grayling. They can be seen on patrol on Higgins Lake and Houghton Lake. They will soon be out on Lake Margrethe as well. If you would be interested in finding out more about the Coast Guard Auxiliary, what they do and how you can join them in their work, call 989-821-8433, or check out the Web site at <http://a0911603.uscgaux.info/>.

## KCC seeks nominations for 'Outstanding Alumnus'

The Kirtland Community College Alumni Committee is seeking nominations for the "2008 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year."

The alumnus selected will be recognized, and speak briefly at, the college's upcoming commencement ceremony on Friday, May 2. The name of the person honored will also be added to a plaque that hangs in the Administration Center on campus.

Selection criteria include additional education beyond the Kirtland experience, professional accomplishments, involvement in community activities, leadership and post-degree involvement with Kirtland or in the field of education. The nominee must have been graduated from Kirtland in 1998, or

before, with a certificate of completion or associate's degree.

Nominations should consist of the name of the nominee and information addressing the selection criteria to support the nomination.

Candidates may nominate themselves or someone else. Former nominees, who have not been selected previously, are welcome to have their names resubmitted for consideration.

Deadline for written nominations is Wednesday, March 26, and should be addressed to Stacey Barnes, dean of student services, Kirtland Community College, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653. Or, e-mail nominations to Jo Ann Gave, student services assistant, at [gavej@kirtland.edu](mailto:gavej@kirtland.edu).

## 'Buy Michigan First' seminar to be held

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) of Michigan will host a "Buy Michigan First" training seminar on March 27, at the University Center in Gaylord. This seminar will teach businesses how to sell their products and services to the State of Michigan.

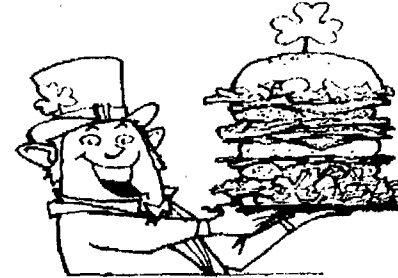
Seleana Samuels from Michigan's Department of Management and Budget will present the session. Lisa Webb-Sharpe, Director of the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, will also be in attendance.

The PTAC of Michigan's mission is to enhance national defense and economic development of the State of Michigan by assisting Michigan businesses in obtaining and performing on federal, state and local government

contracts.

Registration will be first come, first served. This training is free, but registration is required. Questions may be directed to Denise Hoffmeyer, Program Manager Procurement Technical Assistance Center, Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, or call 989-733-8548.

## Grayling's American Legion Post 106 and Aux.



Will be having its second annual

## Patriot Dinner

Open to the Public  
Saturday, March 15th

In the Hall at 106 S. James St., Grayling.

Dinner will be served from 4:00 till 7:00 pm  
A corn beef and cabbage dinner with coffee, milk, pop or beer, and dessert will be served. The cost of the dinner will be \$6 for adults, children 7-12, \$3, and children 6 and under are free.

## CHECK OUT OUR NEW LINE-UP OF COMMUNITY ED CLASSES. AND EACH ONE IS ONLY \$10!

### Community Education Offerings Kirtland Community College Spring 2008

KCC is pleased to offer a variety of popular community education offerings for only \$10 per class. Classes take place regardless of the number of registrations received. Additional schedules and registration forms are found at our web site: <http://kirtland.edu/comm/>. Register or get additional information by calling 989-275-5000, ext. 279 or stop by the faculty office in the INS building.

**Indoor Air Quality & Efficiency of Residential Heating and Cooling Systems** - Tuesday March 11, 6-9 PM, MTEC Gaylord Campus in board room: CEC 13403 - Harry Phillips

**Wood Working Tools** - Wednesday March 12, 6-9 PM, MTEC Gaylord Campus in carpentry lab: CEC 13402 - Curt Losee

**Finding Stars and Constellations** - Wednesday March 12, 7:30-10:30 PM, Roscommon Campus (Alternative date for bad weather will be April 2 or 9), in INS building in room 119: CEC 16248 - Scott Cochran

**Residential Electrical Fundamentals** - Thursday March 13, 6-9 PM, MTEC Gaylord Campus in board room: CEC 13500 - John Pyke

**Sexual Harassment Assault Rape Prevention: this course includes hands on training in self-defense for women** - Saturday March 15, 10 AM-2 PM, Roscommon Campus ADM building in room 133: CEC 12407 - Jerry Boerema

**Computer Basics: Hands On with Microsoft Vista** - Tuesday March 18, 6-9 PM, Roscommon Campus ADM building in room 205: CEC 12225 - Clay Horton

**Digital Photography (Bring your pictures and/or camera to class)** - Tuesday March 25, 6-9 PM, Roscommon Campus ADM building in room 207: CEC 11103 - Clay Horton

**Basic Swedish Massage for Couples: Learn how to share the gift of nurturing, relaxing Therapeutic Touch** - Thursday April 3, 6-9 PM, Roscommon Campus ADM building in room 208: CEC 14404 - Deb Doyle

**Understanding Depression: An Introduction to a Common Mental Diagnosis** - Tuesday April 8, 6-9 PM, Roscommon Campus ADM building in room 204: CEC 11315 - Jim Backlund

**Basic Floral Design: How to make those grocery store bouquets look like a million bucks** - Tuesday April 15, 5-8 PM, Roscommon Campus INS building in room 10: CEC16251 - Ann Rice

**Painting with Watercolors: BYOP&B (Bring your own paints and brushes)** - Wednesday April 23, 4-7 PM, Roscommon Campus ART building in room 121: CEC 11113 - Scott Rice



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989-275-5000, ext. 279  
[www.kirtland.edu/comm/](http://www.kirtland.edu/comm/)

## "Thursday Night ROCK BAND Night" Starting March 6th, 2008

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# The Bible Speaks

## God's Holy Law

In Romans 7:7-12 God has proved His law is not sinful, evil, unjust, or bad because of our failure under law. The question was raised in Romans 7:7: "What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law; for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet." Without God's 10th commandment in the law we would not know about lust and coveting within the heart preceding any words or acts of sin. In verse 8 God exposed our real problem as sin in its conceit, corruption and concealment. In verse 9 Paul explained the danger of self-righteousness by only following the letter of the law, in contrast to allowing the spirit of the law to convict us of sin within our heart and mind. In Romans 10 and 11 we learn the disillusionment, deception and danger of sin. "And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death. For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and he it slew me."

Now in Romans 7:12 we find the conclusion of God's defense of His law: "12Wherefore the

law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." God's law in total is holy. God's law includes His moral law revealed in the 10 commandments; His civil law revealed to govern the nation of Israel; and His ceremonial law which revealed the sacrificial system which taught faith in God's provision for forgiveness of sins. Our Lord Jesus Christ fulfilled the moral and civil law by perfect obedience thereby proving His perfect righteousness. He fulfilled the ceremonial law by His perfect sacrifice on the cross of Calvary shedding His blood for the remission of sins. He proved this by His resurrection from the dead. He ascended to the Father where He ever lives to be our mediator, intercessor, and advocate. He is coming again to change our vile bodies and take us to be with Him for eternity.

God's law is holy because God is holy. Revelation 4:8 reminds us that heavenly creatures will for all eternity, "...rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is and is to come." God the Father is called "Holy Father" in John 17:11. Jesus Christ is repeatedly called "Holy One" (Acts 2:27; 3:14; Mark 1:24). The Holy Spirit is always called Holy. God's Word is called "holy promise" in Ps. 105:42;

"holy covenant" in Daniel 11:28 and Luke 1:72; "holy scriptures" in Romans 1:2 and 2 Timothy 3:15; and "holy commandment" in 2 Peter 2:21.

God's individual commandments are not only holy, but just and good. They are all just because God is just. God said in Isaiah 45:21: "There is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me." Jesus Christ is called the Just One in Acts 7:52; 22:14. And God's commandments are good because God is good. "O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever." (Psalm 107:1; 118:1; 136:1). "O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him." (Psalm 34:8). "For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations." (Psalm 100:5). God is holy, just and good, so also are all His Holy Scriptures. Pastor "B"

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Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd & 4th Wednesday ..... 7 pm  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 am

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974  
Website: www.mm-umc.org  
Barrier Free

Traditional Service ..... 9:00 am  
Coffee Hour ..... 10:00 am  
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 10:00 am  
Adult Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Praise and Worship Service ..... 11 am  
(Childcare Available)

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor David Jorgensen  
Phone 989-348-1909  
Services held Saturday at  
Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Saturday Church Service ..... 9:30 am  
Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 am  
Tuesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm

**Lovells Community Chapel**  
(Bible based & non-denominational)  
Pastor Larry Hankins  
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovells  
989-348-2701

Sunday School (youth & adult) ..... 10 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Wed Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
Rick Secord - Pastor  
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093

Early Service ..... 8:30 am  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ..... 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship ..... 11 am  
Adult and Youth Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
heritagebaptist-grayling.org  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of  
I-75)

Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Pastor Gary Wojdan  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Parsonage 348-7466

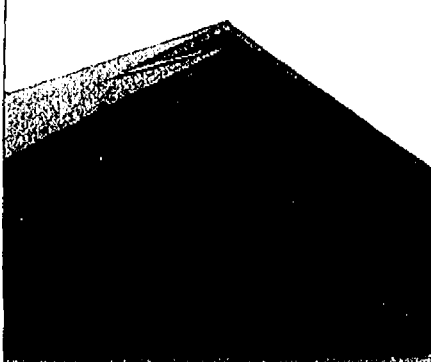
Sunday School ..... 9:30 am  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed) 7 pm

**The Church of Christ**  
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Sunday Worship ..... 10 am

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Pastor Dale Hammond

Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7 pm

**Unity Church of Today North**  
Terry Dickinson, Minister  
Virtual Church - an Email Bible Study  
available at tlmrd@freeway.net

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President David Stephenson  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament ..... 10 am  
Sunday School ..... 11 am  
Primary ..... 11 am  
Priesthood ..... 12 noon  
Relief Society ..... 12 noon

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling

Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Sunday Service, Children's Church and  
Youth Service ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm  
Wednesday Service ..... 7 pm  
Friday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm  
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Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 am

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Preaching ..... 11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer ..... 7 pm

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Sunday Masses ..... 10:00 am

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Morning Prayer Tues-Fri ..... 8:30 am  
Eucharist (Wed) ..... 8:30 am  
Sunday Holy Eucharist ..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

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Pastor Bud & Debbie Mann  
Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
Mid Week Services (Wed) ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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Wednesday Evening ..... 7 pm

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Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday Service ..... 7 pm

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Sunday School ..... 9 am  
Bible Study (Wed.) ..... 7 pm  
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Duffee  
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Sunday Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7 pm

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Wed. Men's Bible Study ..... 12 noon

## Four Generations



Four generations of the Goscicki family recently got together. Pictured (L to R): Edward Goscicki Sr., grandfather, of Frederic; Edward Goscicki II, father, of Frederic; sitting is Nancy Easton, great-grandmother, of Grimsly, Tenn., holding little Edward Goscicki III of Frederic.

## Five Generations



Celebrating the Christmas season together, five generations gathered. Pictured back row (L to R) are: Barbie Hoesli, with step-daughter Erica and daughter Samantha, Beverly Ohsowski, all of Grayling, and Helen Ohsowski of Roscommon; front row (L to R): Brenda Wargo, with grandson Max Hoesli, and Kristi Warren, with son Joshua Warren, all of Grayling.

## AREA EVENTS

**Traverse City - Northwestern**  
Michigan College has special  
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and 14 is a Chance to Dance,  
from 10 p.m. - midnight, in the  
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Call 231-995-1700 for details.  
March 8, there will be an NMC  
dance performance, at 8 p.m., at  
the Milliken Auditorium. Call  
231-995-1553 for more details.  
March 9, Safe passage Forum:  
The American Economy and  
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p.m. - 5 p.m., in University  
Center room 209. Call 231-995-  
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Wednesday, March 12, is an  
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There is a free film series show-  
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www.nmc.edu by clicking on  
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## BUSINESS NEWS



**Garriek R. Cvitkovich**  
Surgeon Garriek R. Cvitkovich, M.D., a physician with Mercy Surgical Services, recently earned his board certification in General Surgery from The American Board of Surgery. The nonprofit certification body covers the fields of general surgery, vascular surgery, pediatric surgery, surgical critical care, and surgery of the hand.

Dr. Cvitkovich joined Mercy Surgical Services in July 2006 and is a graduate from Indiana University's School of Medicine. He completed his residency and fellowship at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

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## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the period of Feb. 24 - March 1:

Seven traffic warnings, one traffic accident, two civil infraction citations, two larceny complaints, two alarm responses, one city ordinance violation, one civil complaint, three suspicious situations, one fraud complaint, one harassment complaint, one juvenile complaint and 11 unclassified complaints.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The Frederic Community Library will host a program for kids, celebrating both Dr. Seuss and St. Patrick's Day, on Saturday, March 8, at 11 a.m. Call Connie Meyer at 989-348-4067.

An "Egg-cellent Easter party", with Miss B., will be held at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Wednesday, March 12, at 11 a.m. There will be Easter stories, an Easter egg hunt and more.

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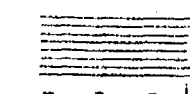
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## Olson, Stocker engaged



**April Olson and Kurt Stocker**

April Olson of Cheboygan and Kurt Stocker of Roscommon announce their engagement.

Olson is co-owner of Honey Haulers and RV Care and a teller at the National City Bank in Indian River.

Stocker is the owner of

Stocker Excavating Inc. and the co-owner of Honey Haulers and RV Care.

The couple resides in Roscommon.

The wedding will be held on June 7, 2008, in Cheboygan.

Charlie Bertram will be the best man.

## OBITUARIES

### Daniel J. Myers

May 27, 1954 - Feb. 28, 2008

Daniel Jay Myers, 53, of Grayling, passed away on February 28, 2008.

He was born in Pontiac, on May 27, 1954, to the late Richard and Harriett (Barber) Myers.

He served in the U.S. Marines. He married the former Judith Bagozzi on July 30, 1977, in Southgate.

He enjoyed snowmobiling, hunting and playing computer games.

He is survived by his wife Judy of 30 years; daughter: Jaime Myers of Gaylord; sons: Joshua Myers of Grayling; Cody Myers, stationed in Belgium; brothers, David (Lila) Myers of Grayling and Richard (Judy) Myers of Frederic.

Visitation was held on Wednesday March 5, from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow the visitation at 7 p.m.

Interment will be at Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic, with military honors, in the spring of 2008.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan 128 N. Court St., Gaylord, MI 49735.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Ruth Fenton

Ruth Fenton, 97, of Beaver Creek Township, passed away on March 3, 2008.

Visitation will be held at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Thursday, March 6, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The funeral service will begin at 1 p.m., with Dr. Bill Cargo officiating.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

A full obituary will appear in next week's edition of the Avalanche.

### In Memory of

Remembering a special man. "Because of him our own small world will never be the same. And all our hearts are filled with love when people speak his name ... but though his face may not be seen among us here today, his love is felt in all the hearts he changed along the way." George R. Pamerleau 1915 - 1989.

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The staff at 5/3 Bank curtailed the suspicious withdrawals of large sums of cash. They earned our undying thanks. This cash was taken to Kmart to be sent by Western Union out of the country. After two large sums were sent by the same lady, the clerk at Kmart suspected fraud and called our city police department. Our undying thanks goes out to the careful crew at Kmart. When the police were called, they responded quickly to nip this in the bud. The officer was very helpful and compassionate with the dilemma he encountered. Our thanks goes out to our wonderful police department. We are a very lucky town to have the people we have serving us every day in every way.

The sad part of the tale is that this lady will never see the money again. When the Canadian Mounties were contacted, they said they had an ongoing investigation into this, but the money disappears as fast as it is sent.

Remember all of our trusting senior citizens and everyone else who thinks "free" means just that. It is only an opening to get your trust so someone can get your money. Remember, "if it sounds too good to be true, it is." Since the Avalanche charged \$45 to print this, I hope it helps someone.

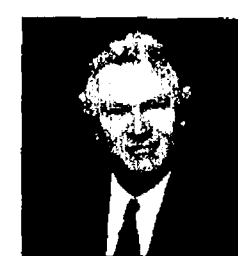
daughter of the lady who was scammed

## Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series Travel & Adventure

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### Mayday

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## BIRTHS

Katie Lynn and Timothy Jordan, of Roscommon, announce the birth of their son, Mark David, born at Mercy Hospital on February 22, 2008, at 9:11 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 7.5 ozs., and measuring 19 1/4 inches in length.

Jennifer L. and James H. Calvin, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, James Eric, born at Mercy Hospital on February 26, 2008, at 5:27 a.m., weighing 6 lbs., 7 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Catherine and Michael Gammicchia, of Rose City, announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandria Leigh, born at Mercy Hospital on February 25, 2008, at 7:29 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., and measuring 20 1/4 inches in length.

Brandi M. and Robert O. Deman, of Gaylord, announce the birth of their daughter, Lillian M., born at Mercy Hospital on February 18, 2008, at 12:52 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 8.6 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

Ashley Linkhart and George Stoia, of Grayling, announce the birth of a daughter, Cali McKayla, born at Mercy Hospital on February 14, 2008, at 3:54 p.m., weighing 4 lbs., 2.6 ozs., and measuring 17 inches in length.

Lori Ann Lawson, of Grayling, announces the birth of a daughter, Annalea Deborah Ellis, born at Mercy Hospital on February 14, 2008, at 9:58 a.m., weighing 6 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 72 complaints the week of Feb. 25 - March 2:

One EMS response, 13 general non-criminal complaints, one runaway, one false alarm activation, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, one assault/intimidation/stalking, three larcenies, one larceny of gas-self service station, one vehicle-stolen, one fraudulent activity;

Two damage to properties, one drug/narcotic violation, eight public peace/disorderlies, four

health and safeties, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 12 traffic accidents, four accidents-non-traffic, one parking violation, one hazardous condition, two accidents-all other, one inspection/investigation-family, five suspicious situations and three driving violations/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of March 6 - 13 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during March 6 - 7 and March 10 - 13.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mis-

sion-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number is 989-348-6371. For further information, call 1-989-344-6320.

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## Travelogue matinee presents 'Mayday - Tugs of War'

The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series' 35th season of the Travel and Adventure Series will present a Sunday matinee featuring "Mayday - Tugs of War". Filmed and narrated by Robin Williams, the show will be held at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium on March 16.

"Mayday - Tugs of War" is an exclusive eyewitness account by the men of the deep sea rescue tugs of WWII.

There was a time in the 1940s when many countries in Europe (including Germany) were saved from the worst mass murderers and tyrants this world has ever seen. Hitler and his sycophants had unleashed their military machine in 1939 and the whole world had to wake up fast. Our boys went to war and fought like never before.

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The British warships went after the German ships with a vengeance. The Germans then utilized their submarines (U-boats) which waited for the convoys under the sea, popped up at night and swarmed the ships like wolves swarming a deer.

To counter the U-boats, the Allies deployed Deep Sea Rescue Tugs to tow the stricken



"Mayday - Tugs of War", an exclusive eyewitness account by the men of the deep sea rescue tugs of WWII, is the featured GPA Travel and Adventure Series show to be held as a Sunday afternoon matinee, on March 16, at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

ships and pick up survivors while destroyers and corvettes hunted down the U-boats with depth charges.

A brilliant plan of sending long distance bombers to escort the convoys finally put an end to the U-boats by May of 1943.

The Royal Navy tugs alone towed in three million tons of damaged shipping, thus saving their valuable cargoes. The ships were repaired and sailed yet again. About 254 badly damaged Allied warships were also towed in to safety.

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Doors open at 1:30 p.m. The show will begin at 2 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students, and are available at the Grayling Regional Chamber of

Commerce or at the door.

For more information on this performance, or a schedule for the upcoming series, call the Chamber at 989-348-2921.

The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series, and the Travel and Adventure Series, is made possible with the generous support of lead sponsor Fick and Sons, Inc. of Grayling, in partnership with the Grayling Promotional Association, area businesses and corporations, grants from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.

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## Eagles feast on deer off of M-93



These photos of a mature bald eagle, left, and juvenile bald eagle, right, were taken off of M-93, just west of I-75, by Shelly Martinez, an amateur birder from Dearborn. Martinez's family owns vacation property in Grayling and are also building a vacation cabin in Gaylord. Martinez was visiting Hartwick Pines State Park last month when she was told about the eagles that feed on deer carcasses. The deer, taken from car accidents, are placed on the hill off of the roadway by Joe Greer, the owner of Have Saw Will Travel. Greer picks up the roadkill deer from November through early April, when the lakes are frozen over and the eagles don't have access to fish and water fowl, to prevent the eagles from being hit by cars and semi trucks while they are feeding on roadkill. Greer said there are currently seven eagles that feed at the site. He coordinates the program through the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, the Department of Natural Resources and the Crawford County Road Commission.

## AREA EVENTS

**Gaylord** - Gaylord Chamber Orchestra presents "Musical Meltdown."

Watch for melting snow in Gaylord on Saturday, March 8, as members of the Gaylord Chamber Orchestra burn through several highly challenging musical pieces for strings at the First Congregational Church starting at 7 p.m. A string octet will perform "Octet in E flat major" by Mendelssohn, and with the addition of a third cellist, will perform "Brandenburg Concerto #3" by J.S. Bach. These selections can be described as master-

pieces of the musical literature. Kathy Volke, Artistic Director and violinist for the Gaylord Chamber Orchestra, says "These are pieces that will be played a hundred years from now, they cannot be improved upon."

Musicians performing this concert include: Beth Weston, the current concertmaster for the Gaylord Chamber Orchestra; Kathy Volke on violin and viola; Leilani Kitter on violin; Joanna Bozin, previous concertmaster of the Gaylord Youth Orchestra and currently a music student at Western Michigan University;

Margaret Beck on viola; Jim Van Eizenga on viola, also a student at WMU; and three cellos rounding out the ensemble played by Marga Eickholt, Jean Coonrod and Michael Johnson.

This concert will be the third of a four concert season presented by the Gaylord Chamber Orchestra. Formally established in 2004, the GCO has been performing four concerts per year from October through May. The organization is committed to bringing fine orchestral music to Gaylord and encourages the continuance of this and other artistic

experiences for the community.

The First Congregational Church is located at 218 West Second Street in Gaylord. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and can be purchased at Saturn Booksellers or at the door. For more information on this concert or the Gaylord Chamber Orchestra, contact Trish Duley at 732-6350.

## Legion announces Chili Cook-off winners

The American Legion Auxiliary #106 sponsored the Winter Fun Days Chili Cook-off at Hanson Hills on Feb. 3.

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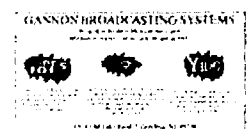
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## Fourth graders featured in 'informances'



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Fourth graders, at the Grayling Elementary School last week, held "informances," a chance to inform parents and grandparents about what they are learning in music class. The fourth and fifth grade music classes are taught by Karen Ross. Above, Brandon Molands and Chrissy Bonamie toss confetti in the air at the end a song called "Seven Feet of Snow."

## Red Cross conducts local blood drives

The Crawford County 2008 with two blood drives in American Red Cross started January.

On Jan. 2, M.A.T.E.S. sponsored a blood drive at the American Legion with 82 donors. First time donors were: Judith Blair, Jack Hipchen, Warren Metz, Michael Phipps and Joshua Gildner.

One gallon pins were awarded to: Philip Faustman, Amy Hahn, Karen Huber, Beverly Johnson, Ronald Joyce and Neil Joza. A two gallon pin was awarded to Christopher Phippen; a three gallon pin was awarded to Ann Donakowski; a six gallon pin was awarded to Robert Woodland; an eight gallon pin went to Neil Longworth; and a nine gallon pin went to Bruce Patrick.

On Friday, Jan. 4, a special type O blood drive was held, at St. Mary's Family Center, with 32 donors. First time donors were Suzanne Voelker and Ronald Voelker.

A one gallon pin was presented to James Boylan and a 14 gallon pin was presented to Ruby Peterson.

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## Grayling Eagles Auxiliary celebrates womanhood



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The Grayling Eagles Club Auxiliary held a Banquet to Celebrate Womanhood on Saturday. Eagles members were encouraged to bring their mothers, daughters, sisters and friends to the event. Liz Almond, the state madam for the Eagles, and a number of other Eagles officials, attended the banquet. The Grayling Eagles Auxiliary donated \$4,000 toward breast cancer research, which is the state madam's charity. Above, from left to right, Grayling Eagles Auxiliary member Greer Helsel attended the banquet with Emma Helsel, age 3, and mother Marsha Kroell, who is also an Auxiliary member.

## Ex-police officer arrested as part of drug roundup

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traffickers in Crawford County and surrounding counties.

Bonkowski worked as a Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy between September 2006 and December 2006. He retired from his position due to medical issues.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, who said police have been working on their case for awhile, said the arrest of an officer who he worked with was disheartening.

"I take my job very seriously and I take my oath seriously," Wakefield said. "This guy just violated everything that he stood for as police officer. It's a slap in

the face to my office, my profession and every officer here."

Bonkowski worked as a school liaison officer during his tenure with the sheriff's department, being assigned to the AuSable Primary School and Grayling Elementary School from 2001 to 2004. Part of his duties as the school officer included teaching the DARE program to children.

Wakefield said he hopes Bonkowski's arrest sends a clear message that those who preach against using drugs and violence, then are arrested for violating the law, will get no favors from his office.

"It happened in my backyard, and I took care of it. That's what

the people pay me for," Wakefield said. "I don't care who you are and what you are. If you're going to do this stuff, it's just a matter of time until I knock on your door."

Bonkowski posted a \$5,000 bond after his arrest, and is scheduled to be arraigned on the felony drug charge at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19, in Crawford County District Court.

The names of the other 10 suspects were not released since they have not been arraigned, but they were all booked into jail and bonds were set by the court.

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"We've always had a presence online through Petfinder.com," said Shelter Director Cheryl Postma. "But our new site is greatly expanded, with some wonderful new features. People can browse our site to see pictures of available dogs and cats. Not only that, we are featuring short videos of some of our pets. This allows people to literally visit our shelter from the comfort of their own home, whenever they want."

"We often have people from hundreds of miles away adopt pets from us," said Postma. "These are people who have visited our new site, saw a pet, and didn't care how far they had to drive. When someone finds their new best friend, they seem to know it right away. Our new site is really helping to expand our ability to get the word out and find loving homes for our animals."

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"We don't want to overshadow the great service Petfinder.com has given thousands of animals over many years," said Sharon Priebe, shelter president. "We just thought our own Web site would be a great complement to an already established method of getting our dogs and cats into good homes, now faster than ever."

Petfinder.com Foundation recently accepted AVAS into their Sponsor-A-Pet program,

giving supporters another way to help the animals. Just go to [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com) and click on Our Pet List. Posted there are most of the pets awaiting adoption at AVAS. Click on a pet to see its information. On the right side of the biography is a box guiding the visitor to sponsor a pet by making an electronic donation. Ten percent of each donation goes to the Petfinder.com Foundation, to help keep the enormous site in operation and to help homeless pets nationwide through the foundation's many programs.

In addition, AVAS has taken to the radio airwaves to help spread the message of pet adoption. Several public service announcements (PSA) are airing, courtesy of the radio stations in Grayling owned by Gannon Broadcasting Systems.

"Some of the radio PSAs are really funny," Postma said. "What we want to do is create awareness not only for our shelter, but for pet adoption in general. When people are looking for a pet, we want them to consider making adoption their first option. Many people don't realize that the perfect addition to their family might be waiting for them right here at AuSable Valley Animal Shelter."

The Web site design and maintenance, as well as the development and production of the PSAs, come at no cost to the shelter. They are made possible by the generosity of very special shelter volunteers/sup-

porters, Chris and Deidre "Boots" Wright.

Chris is a former Grayling resident and Grayling High School Alumnus. He is the author of the Michigan and American Chillers book series, under the pen name of Johnathan Rand. Chris is the designer of the new Web site and wrote, voiced and produced the radio PSAs.

Boots records the featured pet videos for the Web site and spends a lot of quality time with the dogs awaiting adoption. She gives them a lot of love and attention, helping them to learn basic commands, to become socialized with other dogs and to trust people.

"We are very grateful for these volunteers and their talents," said Priebe. "The Web site, while still in development, is very appealing and user friendly. The pet videos and PSAs are just delightful and are guaranteed to make you smile."

For information about advertising on the Web site, e-mail the shelter board of directors at [mcruley@i2k.com](mailto:mcruley@i2k.com).

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is open Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and Sundays and holidays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Call (989) 348-4117 for information on shelter animals.

The shelter is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and relies on donations and adoption fees to operate. Donations can be sent to: AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, PO Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738.

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# Bucks edge Vikings 73-71 in district basketball rematch

■ *Grayling leads 13-0, 30-14 early in game, but Roscommon battles back to win by two*

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings started strong, but the Roscommon Bucks made some timely shots down the stretch to win last Monday's boys basketball play-off game by a final score of 73-71.

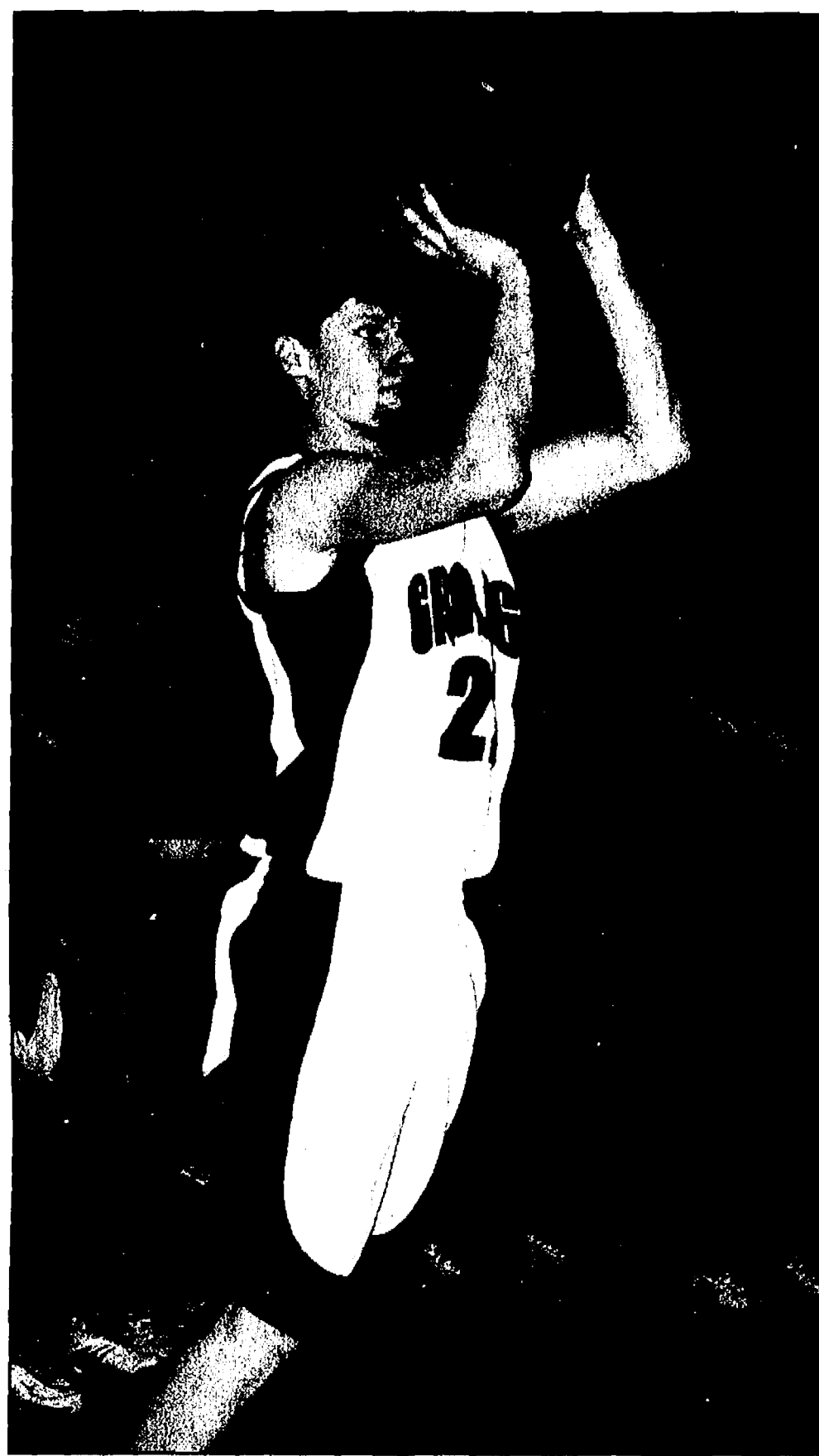
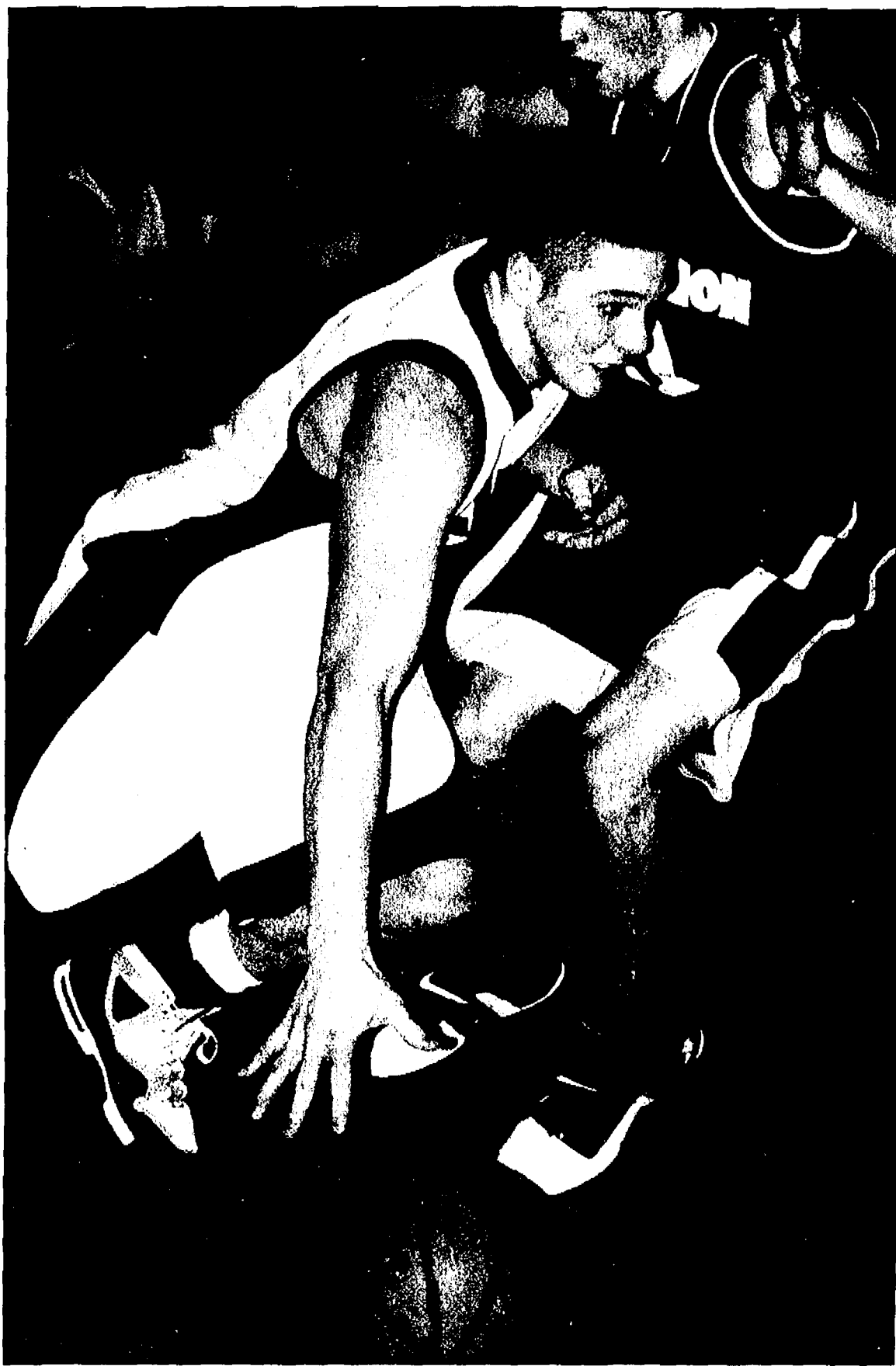
Monday night's round one District 63-B tournament game – the third match featuring non-conference rivals Grayling and Roscommon this season – was held at Grayling High School. The two Grayling vs. Roscommon 2007-2008 regular season games resulted in a series split. The Vikings won 59-54 at GHS on Dec. 4, and the Bucks won 70-61 at Roscommon on Jan. 10.

Grayling scored 13 unanswered points to start Monday's district game. The run included (in order) a put-back by Spencer Dean, a three-pointer by Richard Schreiber, a jump shot by Schreiber, a jump shot and a drive by Josh Stapleton, and an inside shot by Tyler Steffey.

A three-point play by Schreiber gave GHS a 16-4 lead with 2:03 left in the first period. Schreiber stole the ball and scored a fast break lay-up to give Grayling an 18-4 advantage. The Vikings scored the last two points of the quarter with a jump shot by Trent Larm. GHS led 20-9 at the end of the first period.

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Photos by Caleb Casey

Trent Larm, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings during last Monday's district game against the Roscommon Bucks. Rocky McNamara, right, hits a three-point shot for Grayling during the third quarter of Monday night's contest vs. Roscommon.

## Three wrestlers win state championships

■ *Seven of nine youth league wrestlers place in top four at NEMWA state finals meet*

Three members of the Grayling Youth Wrestling Club capped undefeated seasons by placing first at the Northeast Michigan Wrestling Association state finals this past Saturday at Saginaw. Nine GYWC competitors qualified for the state tournament, and seven of them – Jonathon Martin, Zack Cheney, Logan Duvall, Kyle Schmidt, Zach Mack, Ty Jensen, and Jeff Myers – placed in the top four at the state meet on Saturday.

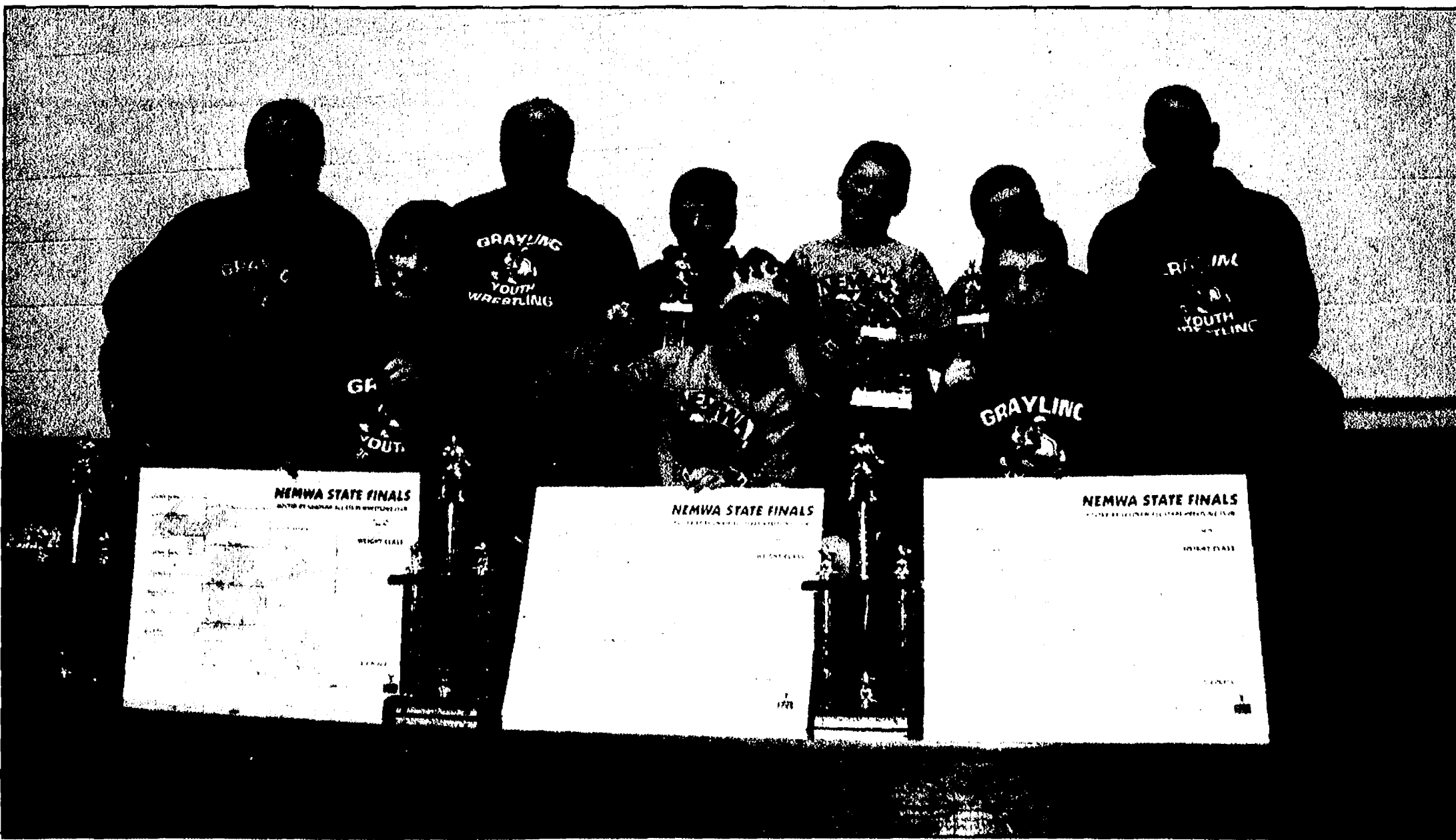
"We had our best showing at a state finals tournament ever," Coach Larry Duvall said. "Seven of the nine kids placed in the top four."

The wrestlers qualified for the NEMWA state tournament by placing in the top four at a regional tournament that was held on Saturday, Feb. 23, at Freeland.

Martin took 1st at regionals in the 55-pound (age 9-10) division, and went into Saturday's state finals tournament with an 18-0 record.

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See "THREE..."



Seven members of the Grayling Youth Wrestling Club finished in the top four at the Northeast Michigan Wrestling Association state finals on Saturday. Three of the seven won state championships. Pictured: (front, L to R) state champions Ty Jensen, Jonathon Martin, and Zach Mack; (back L to R) Assistant Coach Bob Jensen, Coach Larry Duvall, Zack Cheney (2nd place), Logan Duvall (4th place), Kyle Schmidt (3rd place), and Assistant Coach Joel Mack. Not pictured: Jeff Myers (4th place).



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## Two Vikings ski at state finals

**■ Mike Olson finishes  
15th in slalom, earns a  
spot on all-state third  
team in Division II**

Two skiers from Grayling High School - Mike Olson and Cassie Pizzi - competed in the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Division II state ski meet at Boyne Mountain last

Monday.

Olson finished 15th in slalom, and Pizzi placed 34th in giant slalom. Olson was named to the all-state third team in slalom.

"(The) courses were challenging and a lot of kids struggled today. In slalom, the girls were struggling with a hairpin at the top of the course. Cassie had trouble entering the hairpin and it threw off her

concentration, and she missed a gate and was disqualified. That is a rough way to end a successful career, but she wasn't the only senior that had trouble in that part of the course. In the (giant slalom), she put together two solid runs," Coach Tim Gariglio said.

"Mike Olson had his best performance in two slalom courses that the top skiers were not able to

finish. The second course for the boys was one of the toughest any of those kids had seen all year, and Mike did a good job of staying focused and taking the challenge and putting together a solid run," Coach Gariglio said.

Hannah Smith also qualified for the state finals in slalom, but did not compete in the event due to an injury.



Mike Olson, left, and Cassie Pizzi, right, ski at the state finals at Boyne Mountain on Monday.

## BOWLING LEAGUES

### Recreation League

American Legion..... 28 - 12  
Woody Girls ..... 26.5 - 13.5  
Robin L. Smith CPA. 20.5 - 19.5  
GMH-NCC..... 20 - 20  
Days Inn ..... 20 - 20

Grayling Nurs.Center... 18 - 22  
T & T Fishing..... 15 - 25  
Glen's Market..... 12 - 28  
High Series: M. Starks, 539; N. Glasslee, 483; D. Lobsinger, 482.  
High Game: D. Lobsinger, 193  
M. Starks, 192; K. Wheeler, 180.

### Thursday Morning Coffee

Ladybugs ..... 20 - 8  
K.I.P. .... 16.5 - 11.5  
Casino Bums ..... 16.5 - 11.5  
Chatty Three ..... 16 - 12  
R.E.M. .... 13 - 15  
Snow Tops ..... 13 - 15  
Goofballs ..... 9 - 19  
Bill's Harem..... 8 - 20  
High Series Men: E. Brosky, 542; K. Harris, 538; B. Holton, 474.  
High Game Men: K. Harris and E. Brosky, 191; B. Holton,

166. High Series Women: H. Stairs, 476; R. Brown, 467; N. Glasslee, 453.  
High Game Women: H. Stairs, 191; P. Kennedy, 170; P. Harris, 168.

### Friday Mixed Doubles

Last Call..... 48 - 29  
Bucket Brigade..... 46 - 31  
L & L Hauling..... 45 - 32  
Miller Spillers ..... 39 - 38  
MMR ..... 38 - 39  
Great Lakes Roofing... 34 - 43  
Forget About It..... 33 - 44  
American Legion..... 25 - 52  
High Series Men: J. Lehman, 586; R. Moshier, 582; D. Canfield, 555.  
High Game Men: J. Lehman, 234; D. Canfield, 213.  
High Series Women: C. Moore, 531; M. Cole, 530; N. Glasslee, 522.  
High Game Women: M. Cole, 197; M. Starks, 190; C. Moore, 187.

### Sunday Mixed Doubles

Spike's #2..... 42 - 21  
Spike's #1..... 41 - 22  
Extreme Muffins ..... 34 - 29  
Grayling Rest. #2..... 31 - 32  
Bi-Polar Bowlers..... 30 - 33  
Four Amigos..... 26 - 37  
Gray Rock Cafe..... 24 - 39  
Farm Bureau..... 22 - 41  
High Series Men: M. Cottrell, 599; R. Strohpaul, 568; P. Faustman, 539.  
High Game Men: M. Cottrell, 246; P. Faustman, 223; R. Strohpaul, 201.  
High Series Women: T. Hellebuyck, 475; N. Glasslee, 474; L. Bonenfant, 434.  
High Game Women: N. Glasslee, 168; T. Hellebuyck, 166; T. Reed, 160.

### National First

Pittman Bld..... 41 - 22  
Legion Lanes ..... 39 - 24  
Corky's Karaoke..... 38 - 25  
Continental Rental..... 32 - 31  
Spike's ..... 31 - 32  
Medicine Shoppe..... 31 - 32  
Upper Lakes..... 21 - 42  
Faustman Insurance... 19 - 44  
High Series: J. Helsel, 651; M. Barr, 646; L. Ostrowski, 614.  
High Game: L. Ostrowski, 244; M. Barr, 242; D. Henning, 234.

### American Men's League

McLean's Ace ..... 5 - 2  
Derwich Ind ..... 5 - 2  
GADCO ..... 5 - 2  
Moore's Auto ..... 5 - 2  
West Side Diner ..... 2 - 5  
Otsego Lake Service... 2 - 5  
Dragon Repair ..... 2 - 5  
Fenton's Auto Serv..... 2 - 5  
High Series: Lonnie Davis, 619; Lance Davis, 596; Larry Davis, 571.  
High Game: Lonnie Davis,

248; D. Canfield, 218; Lance Davis, 217.

### Pioneer League

Grayling Rest..... 19 - 5  
Eagles Nest Sports..... 14 - 10  
"5" B's..... 13 - 11  
Johnson Const..... 11 - 13  
Spicy Bob's ..... 11 - 13  
T.C. Lawncare..... 10 - 14  
McDonald's ..... 9 - 15  
Tim's Collision..... 9 - 15  
High Series: T. Hellebuyck, 520; J. Brown, 507; N. Glasslee, 502.  
High Game: J. Brown, 203; D. Argue, 197; G. Reichelderfer, 193.

### Senior Bowling

Gaylord Electric..... 19 - 13  
Grayling Pharmacy... 18 - 14  
Flowers By Josie ..... 18 - 14  
Spike's ..... 16 - 16  
Kicking Grass ..... 16 - 16  
Sylvester's Sports..... 15 - 17  
Bear's Den Pizza ..... 14 - 18  
Lone Pine ..... 12 - 20  
High Series Men: B. Hollis, 581; P. Faustman, 535; L. Wyatt, 525.  
High Game Men: P. Faustman, 221; B. Hollis, 212; L. Wyatt, 190.  
High Series Women: N. Glasslee, 542; H. Stairs, 524; D. Periard, 440.  
High Game Women: H. Stairs, 199; N. Glasslee, 197; D. Periard, 160.

## BOWLING TOURNAMENTS

### Grayling USBC WBA Tournaments

#### Team Event:

1. Woody Girls - 3115
2. Days Inn - 3096
3. Eagles Nest Power Sports - 3039

#### All-Event Handicap:

1. Marcia Rock - 1938
2. Debbie Argue - 1886
3. Cathy Wyatt - 1886
4. Nancy Glasslee - 1829
5. Tabitha Harney - 1826
6. Amy Hawley - 1826
7. Julie Fagan - 1825

#### 8. Barb Wotring - 1809

#### Singles Event:

1. Marcia Rock - 670
2. Julie Fagan - 660
3. Sherry Harney - 638
4. Trish Benardo - 635
5. Candy Moore - 633
6. Tina Hellebuyck - 632
7. Rene Christman - 631
8. Tabitha Harney - 629
9. Linda Golnick - 623
10. Cathy Wyatt - 615

#### Doubles Event:

1. L. Bonenfant and D. Argue - 1243

#### 2. E. Hulbert and C. Wyatt - 1232

3. P. D'Amour and J. Fagan - 1218

4. B. LaMotte and T. Hellebuyck - 1215

5. G. Reichelderfer and M. Partin - 1207

#### All-Event Actual:

1. Marcia Rock - 1614
2. Cathy Wyatt - 1571
3. Nancy Glasslee - 1514
4. Michelle Starks - 1504
5. Debbie Argue - 1481
6. Laurie Seibert - 1455



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Richard Schreiber, left, and Spencer Dean, right, shoot the ball for Grayling on Monday night during a round one District 63-B basketball game vs. the Roscommon Bucks.

## Bucks edge Vikings 73-71 in district basketball rematch

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Grayling opened the second period with a three-pointer by Schreiber. Two free throws by Stapleton and a lay-up by Larm gave GHS a 27-11 lead. Roscommon completed a three-point play at the 6:28 mark to pull within 13. Schreiber, fouled on a three-point shot, converted all three free throws to put the Vikings back up by 16, 30-14.

The Bucks outscored Grayling 17-4 in the final six minutes of the second quarter. The Vikings had a 34-31 edge at halftime.

Roscommon scored the first basket of the third quarter. Grayling answered with a lay-up by Schreiber. The Bucks scored a jump shot, and Stapleton hit a three-pointer for the Vikings. Roscommon countered with a three-point shot. A drive by Stapleton at the 5:45 mark gave Grayling a 41-38 advantage.

The Bucks scored seven unanswered points to lead 45-41 with 4:26 left in the third period.

A jump shot by Steffey cut Roscommon's lead to two points. The Bucks scored two points on an inside shot. Alex Gabriel converted an inside shot for the Vikings. Roscommon hit a three-pointer at the 2:56 mark to lead 50-45. The Vikings countered with a three-pointer by Stapleton. Roscommon converted one free throw shot to lead 51-48 with 2:28 left in the third period.

The Vikings outscored Roscommon 9-2 in the third quarter's final 2:10. The run included (in order) a lay-up by Larm, a drive by Rocky McNamara, an inside shot by Gabriel, and a three-pointer by McNamara.

Grayling took a 57-53 advantage into the fourth period.

Roscommon scored the first five points of the fourth quarter with a three-pointer and two free throws. A drive by Larm gave GHS a one-point lead. The Bucks hit another three-pointer to lead by two. A jump shot by Steffey and a triple by Schreiber gave Grayling a 64-61 edge with 3:05 left in regulation.

Roscommon cut Grayling's lead to one with two free throw shots. An inside shot at the 2:16 mark gave the Bucks a 65-64 advantage. A jump shot by Larm put the Vikings up by one, 66-65, with 1:08 left in the game.

The Bucks answered with a three-point shot. Steffey tied the game at 68-68 with two free throw shots. Roscommon hit another three-pointer, giving RHS a 71-68 advantage with 33 seconds left in the fourth quarter.

An inside shot by Larm cut Roscommon's lead to one, 71-70, with 19 seconds left.



Josh Stapleton handles the ball for the Vikings during last week's playoff game against Roscommon.

Grayling fouled. The Bucks made the first free throw but missed the second. Gabriel, fouled on the rebound attempt, converted one of two free throws. Roscommon led 72-71 with 10 seconds remaining.

Grayling fouled and Roscommon missed both free throws. The Bucks rebounded the second miss and Grayling fouled again. Roscommon made one of two at the free-throw line to lead 73-71 with eight seconds left in the period.

Roscommon forced a loose ball and a tie-up. The possession arrow favored Grayling. The Vikings had the ball with 0.9 seconds left. Grayling got a shot off, but it didn't go in. The Bucks won by two, 73-71.

"Our defensive pressure was very effective early in the game, as we forced several Roscommon turnovers and jumped out to a 27-11 lead. Roscommon effectively got to the rim on us in the

second quarter off offensive boards and got some key players into foul trouble," Coach Rich Moffit said. "We had a nice third quarter. We got some key stops and ran our transition offense very well. We were able to exploit Roscommon's defensive principles and create some scoring opportunities."

"Mike Alden, (who had) 28 points (including) six threes in the second half, hit some big shots in the fourth quarter. Also, our inability to control the boards and get to the free-throw line hurt us," Coach Moffit said. "We had our chances down the stretch to win the game. Roscommon has a ton of talent. Our kids played with poise and perseverance, and that resulted in a solid effort in the game. We showed a lot of discipline in adverse situations throughout the game."

Leading scorers for GHS included: Schreiber, 21 points, 6 steals, 4 assists; Stapleton, 18

points, 5 assists; Larm, 12 points, 6 steals, 4 assists; Steffey, 8 points, 5 rebounds.

The Vikings finished their 2007-2008 season with an 8-13 overall record.

"I am proud of how much this team improved from the beginning of the year. It would have been easy for our team to quit after a 3-10 start," Coach Moffit said.



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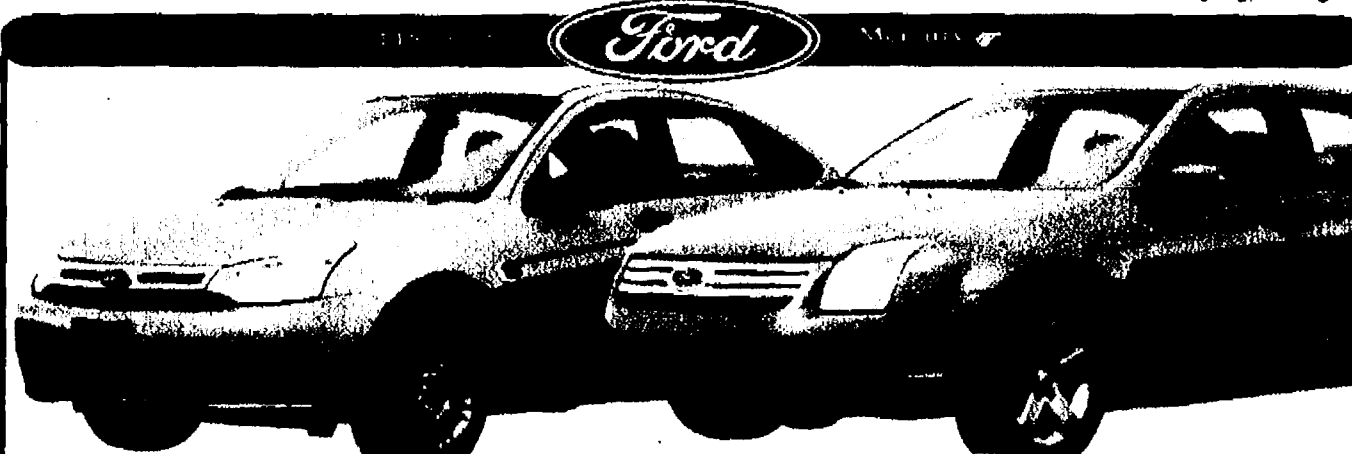
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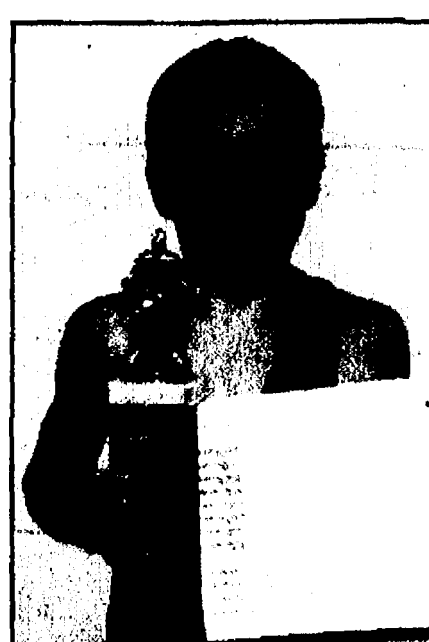
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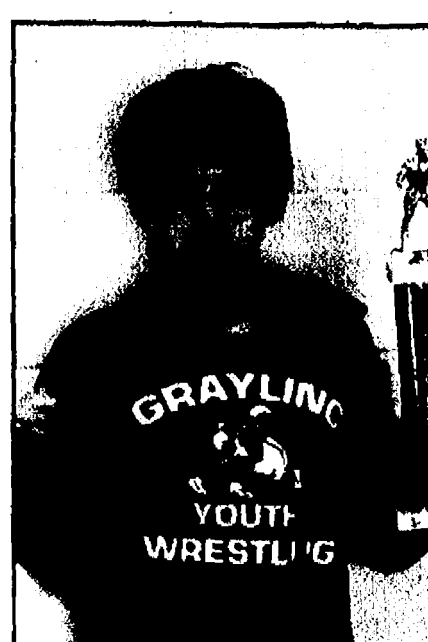
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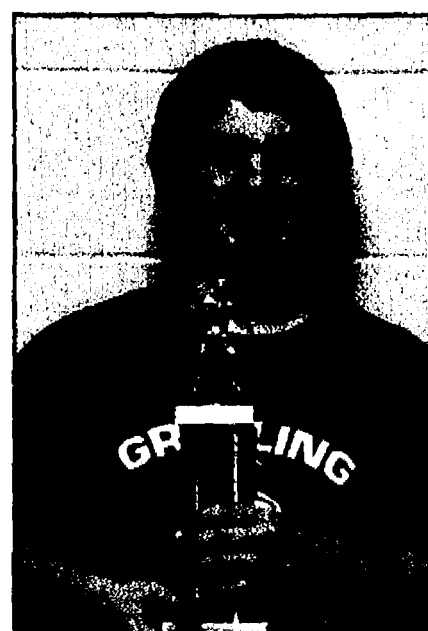
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## Three wrestlers win state championships

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"Jonathon finished a very impressive season at 20-0. He had a bye in his first round, and then won his next two matches to capture the state title," Coach Duvall said.

Mack (age 11-12, 75-pound weight class) finished 1st at the regional tournament.

"Zach is in a tough weight group and has wrestled very well all year. Zach wrestled very good despite having a flu bug," Coach Duvall said.

Mack won all three of his matches at the state meet in Saginaw.

"Zach wrestled very well again, finishing an outstanding season with a mark of 21-0. He wrestled some very good wrestlers and beat all three to capture the state title," Coach Duvall said.

Jensen (age 11-12, 112-pound

weight class) also completed an undefeated season and won a state championship. He took 1st at regionals.

"Ty has some very talented kids in his weight class, but has outwrestled them all year. Ty takes an 18-0 record to the state finals. If Ty wrestles like he has throughout the year, he will be unstoppable," Coach Duvall said.

Jensen finished his season at 22-0 with wins at the state finals.

"He dominated all three of his opponents and finished on top again to capture the state title," Coach Duvall said.

Cheney placed 1st in the 95-pound (age 9-10) division at regionals. He took a 17-3 season record to the state finals.

At the state tournament, "Zach wrestled very well, winning his first two matches. He only lost by a couple points in the final match and ended up in second

place," Coach Duvall said.

Schmidt (age 11-12, 75-pound weight class) finished 3rd at regionals and 3rd at the state finals.

"Kyle's record of 7-6 regular season doesn't show how good he really is," Coach Duvall said. "Kyle won his first match (at the state finals), and had a young man that has not been beat in three years for his second match. Kyle pushed this match to the very end and lost 17-12. He took third overall."

Duvall (age 9-10, 100-pound division) took 3rd at regionals to qualify for the state finals.

"Logan had a tough time in some matches this year, losing by only one point. He will have to step up big to place at the state level," Coach Duvall said.

Duvall placed 4th at the state meet.

"Logan lost his first match and

ended up having to wrestle a kid he lost to at regionals. Logan won this match 8-6, which put him into the finals. He lost a very close match that went to overtime, and took fourth," Coach Duvall said.

Myers (age 11-12, heavy-weight division) finished 2nd at regionals.

"This is Jeff's first year wrestling, and he has really impressed us coaches with his ability to learn moves. Jeff is a very strong kid, and with some determination he has a shot to place at state," Coach Duvall said.

Myers took 4th at Saturday's state meet.

"Jeff wrestled very well his first match, but came up short. In the blood round, where you win or go home, Jeff won in convincing fashion. He then lost in his final match and took fourth. This is very impressive for a first year wrestler," Coach Duvall said.

Brandon Handrich (age 13-14, 120 pounds) and Avery Bergman (age 13-14, heavyweight) also qualified for the NEMWA state finals by placing 2nd and 3rd, respectively, at regionals.

"Brandon is very impressive for only his second full year of wrestling. He took second to a young man who has wrestled five or six years. Brandon is in one of the toughest weight classes in our league, as all the wrestlers are very talented," Coach Duvall said.

"Avery has some very strong kids in his weight class," Coach Duvall said.

The GYWC will compete in a year-end tournament at Petoskey on Saturday, March 22.

"We are very proud of all the wrestlers and their accomplishments," Coach Duvall said.

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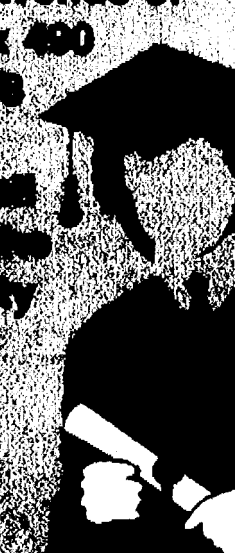
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## LEGAL ACTION

## SYNOPSIS

BEAVER CREEK  
TOWNSHIP  
BOARDRegular Meeting  
February 11, 2008

The regular meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 7:00 PM. Board members present: Riley, Summers, Balmes, Little and Hartman. There were 5 visitors present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded and carried. Reports given by the Treasurer, Supervisor and Fire Chief. There were three pieces of correspondence.

## Old Business:

1. Report on proposed directional signs. Motion by Little and seconded by Balmes to allow the Zoning Administrator to send out "Invitations to Bid" on the proposed directional signs. All ayes, motion carried. This will be a sealed bid to township contractors who are licensed and insured. When we know the price per sign, then we can make decisions as to how much it will cost to construct each sign and what we will charge area business to be listed on the signs.

2. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Hartman to raise the township liability in our general insurance policy from 3 million to 4 million. All ayes, motion carried.

## New Business:

1. Our secretary, Patty, has taken another job and will be leaving the township on February 15th. An ad has been put in the papers with deadline Friday, February 22nd. At a special meeting on February 26th, we will decide who to interview.

2. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to pay the AP bills.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.  
Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF  
CRAWFORD  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

File No. 08-7385- DE  
Estate of HELENE L. MOWBRAY,  
Decedent

Date of birth: December 3, 1905  
TO ALL CREDITORS:

The decedent, HELENE L. MOWBRAY, who lived at 2178 Viking Way #10, Grayling, Michigan 49738, died January 20, 2008.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to RONALD J. KIRKPATRICK, named Personal Representative, or to both the Crawford County Probate Court, at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, and the named Personal Representative within (4) four months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: February 27, 2008  
Ronald J. Kirkpatrick (P24887)  
Personal Representative  
KIRKPATRICK & DuBOIS PLC  
213 East Main, Second Floor  
Gaylord, MI 49735  
989-732-2912

## MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Wiles and Alicia Wiles, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 3, 2005 and recorded June 7, 2005 in Liber 675, Page 806, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for DBALT 2005-AR1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Eight and 26/100 Dollars (\$43,498.26) including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 9, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 66 feet North and 33 feet East of the South one-eighth post between Sections 7 and 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; and running thence East 120 feet, thence North 60 feet, thence West 120 feet, thence South 60 feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, lying within the boundary of the City of Grayling.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to

the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 6, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 306.0858

-6-13-20-27

## MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Glen R. Carlson, a single man, to Bank of Ann Arbor, Mortgagee, dated August 2, 2002 and recorded August 7, 2002 in Liber 591, Page 237, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Washington Mutual Bank, FA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Seven and 26/100 Dollars (\$164,887.26) including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 26, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:  
The South one-half of the East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter, Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 21, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 362.3089

-21-28-6-13

## MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Norman H. Spinelli, a married man and Irene Spinelle, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 7, 2005 and recorded November 21, 2005 in Liber 678, Page 590, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six and 16/100 Dollars (\$174,236.16) including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 2, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The West one-quarter of the East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter, lying South of Highway M-76, Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 28, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.4656

-28-6-13-20

## MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has

been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary J. Wojdan, and Renee L. Wojdan, husband and wife, to Coldwell Banker Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2003 and recorded September 12, 2003 in Liber 651, Page 545, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Fifty-Six and 82/100 Dollars (\$60,056.82) including interest at 6.536% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 19, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1-C: Part of the North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as beginning at a point located distant North 01 degree 09 minutes 50 seconds East, 1298.19 feet along the East line of said Section 11 and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 275.00 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence South 01 degree 09 minutes 50 seconds West 162.28 feet; thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West 275.00 feet; thence North 01 degree 09 minutes 50 seconds East 162.28 feet; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East 275.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to and along with the right of ingress and egress and Public utilities over 66 foot wide easement over said Section 11, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point on the Easterly right-of-way line of "Old U.S. 27 Highway" located distant North 01 degree 09 minutes 50 seconds East along the East line of said Section 11 a distance of 1298.19 feet and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 1130.58 feet and South 07 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East 162.93 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East, 832.31 feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 310.2495

-14-21-28-6

## MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by KENNETH M. SMITH, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2005, and recorded on August 19, 2005, in Liber 676, on Page 910, and modified by Partial Release of Mortgage dated January 7, 2008, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$155,107.64), including interest at 6.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on April 2, 2008

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan and described as: PARCEL "D" - PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST (ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE) 1757.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST, 1807.43 FEET TO THE LEFT BANK OF THE AUSABLE RIVER; THENCE NORTH 31 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST (ALONG SAID BANK) 154.9 FEET; THENCE NORTH 12 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST (ALONG SAID BANK), 116.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST, 1757.68 FEET TO THE NORTH AND

SOUTH 1/4 LINE; THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 245 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THIS PARCELS EXTENDS TO THE WATERS EDGE OF THE AUSABLE RIVER.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PORTION DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL D-1: PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2 DISTANT SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID 1/4 LINE 626.00 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 245.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 1,184.83 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 245.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1,184.48 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO AND ALONG WITH THE RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENTS: A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 2 LYING WEST OF OLD U.S. 27 AS RECORDED IN LIBER 101, PAGE 30. ALSO A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 2, NORTH LINE DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE 1,216.57 FEET; THENCE FROM THAT POINT BECOMING A 66 FOOT EASEMENT, CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 871.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1,217.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST SIDE 443.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING.

ABOVE NOW BEING DESCRIBED AS:

PARCEL D-2: PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT LOCATED DISTANT SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2 A DISTANCE OF 626.00 FEET AND SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 1,184.48 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 245.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 622.60 FEET TO A POINT OF TRAVERSE ALONG THE EAST BANK OF AU SABLE RIVER LATER REFERRED TO AS FIRST MENTIONED POINT OF TRAVERSE; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 45 FEET MORE OR LESS TO SAID EAST BANK; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST BANK 265 FEET MORE OR LESS; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 42 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT OF TRAVERSE LOCATED NORTH 31 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST 154.90 FEET AND NORTH 12 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 116.00 FEET FROM FIRST MENTIONED POINT OF TRAVERSE; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 573.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO AND ALONG WITH THE RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENTS: A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 2 LYING WEST OF OLD U.S. 27 AS RECORDED IN LIBER 101 PAGE 30. ALSO A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 2, NORTH LINE DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE 1,216.57 FEET; THENCE FROM THAT POINT BECOMING A 66 FOOT EASEMENT, CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 871.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1,217.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST SIDE 443.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 21, 2008  
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates,

P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075

-28-6-13-20

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jay O. Roberts and Beth H. Roberts, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 17, 2005 and recorded December 16, 2005 in Liber 679, Page 31, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Four and 38/100 Dollars (\$134,694.38) including interest at 7.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 2, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 25, of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 28, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
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(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.4657

-28-6-13-20

NOTICE OF  
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Boyd St Slair and Claudia Faust St Clair, husband and wife, joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2005, and recorded on November 30, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 732, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One and 46/100 Dollars (\$46,471.46), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case

made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on April 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 567 feet East and 380 feet North of the South 1/8 post between Sections 7 and 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; thence North 52 feet; thence East 158 feet; thence South 52 feet; thence West 158 feet to Place of Beginning. Being part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 6, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC R 248.593.1305  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas R. Buckalew and Kimberly Buckalew, His Wife, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 1998, and recorded on August 17, 1998 in Liber 461 on Page 34, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Two And 40/100 Dollars (\$27,492.40), including interest at 7.45% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 2, West, Thence South 20 Rods, Thence West 8 Rods, Thence North 20 Rods, Thence East 8 Rods to the Point of Beginning, Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #106377F02

-14-21-28-6

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4th, 2008 at 10 am at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738, 989-348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9 am Monday, March 10th, 2008, until 12 noon and then 1 pm until 4 pm. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 13th from 6 pm-8 pm, and also Saturday, March 15th, from 9 am until 12 noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first come first served" basis. You can also protest by mail (via P.O. Box above) or fax to 989-348-6713.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO
Agriculture	50.00
Commercial	50.00
Industrial	50.00
Residential	50.00

Terry R. Wright, Supervisor  
Monica Ashton, Clerk  
MBOF/pak



# LEGAL ACTION

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy S Milbocker and Lori A Milbocker, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 8, 2003, and recorded on March 24, 2003 in Liber 624 on Page 561, and rerecorded on August 21, 2003 in Liber 648 on Page 411, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Forty And 03/100 Dollars (\$116,240.03), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 26, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19,

Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, beginning at a point located distant North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, along the east line of said Section 19, a distance of 507.05 feet and North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet and North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 60.0 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said section 19; thence continuing North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 65.0 feet; thence

North 72 degrees 22 minutes West, 136.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 49 minutes West, 97.0 feet; thence North 87 degrees 28 minutes West, 256.68 feet; thence North 08 degrees 07 minutes East, 181.20 feet; thence North 33 degrees 59 East, 377.93 feet; thence South 30 degrees 34 minutes East, 575.37 feet to the point of beginning. Along with and subject to a 66 foot easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point on the east line of said Section 19 located North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, 407.05 feet from

the East 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet; thence North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 125.0 feet; thence North 72 degrees 22 minutes West, 136.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 49 minutes West, 97.0 feet; thence North 87 degrees 28 minutes West, 256.68 feet; thence North 08 degrees 07 minutes East, 181.20 feet; thence North 33 degrees 59 minutes East, 377.93 feet; thence North 53 degrees 59 minutes East, 389.43 feet; thence South 52 degrees 45 minutes East, 257.24 feet to the point of ending on the east line of said Section 19.

Parcel 4: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, beginning at a point located distant North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 19, a distance of 507.05 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet; thence North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 60.0 feet; thence North 30 degrees 34 minutes West, 575.37 feet; thence North 53 degrees 59 minutes East, 389.43 feet; thence South 52 degrees 45 minutes East, 257.24 feet to the East line of said Section 19; thence South 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds West, 665.91 feet to the point of beginning. Along with and subject to a 66 foot easement for ingress and egress and public

utilities, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 19, located North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, 407.05 feet from the

East 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence 51 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet; thence North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 125.0 feet; thence North 72 degrees 22 minutes West, 136.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 49 minutes West, 97.0 feet; thence North 87 degrees 28 minutes West, 256.68 feet; thence North 08 degrees 07 minutes East, 181.20 feet; thence North 33 degrees 59 minutes East, 377.93 feet; thence North 53 degrees 59 minutes East, 389.43 feet; thence South 52 degrees 45 minutes East, 257.24 feet to the point of ending on the east line of said Section 19.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 21, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC L 248.593.1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #180614F01

-21-28-6-13

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frank A Antonini, Jr., and Sandra L Antonini, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated August 24, 2006, and recorded on September 7, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 991, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty And 53/100 Dollars (\$345,860.53), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 19, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, thence North 1 degrees 06 minutes West 1781.73 feet along Section line; thence North 53 degrees 31 minutes East 134.1 feet; thence South 25 degrees 40 minutes East 25.00 feet along center of Twin Bridge Road to the point of Beginning; thence North 53 degrees 31 minutes East 785.75 feet, thence South 27 degrees 06 minutes 40 seconds West 201.29 feet on Traverse line along the Westerly Bank of the North Branch of the Ausable River, thence South 20 degrees 45 minutes 01 seconds West 120.25 feet along said traverse line; thence South 51 degrees 39 minutes 30 seconds West 537.50 feet, thence North 25 degrees 40 minutes West 175.0 feet along center of Twin Bridge Road to the point of beginning. Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 19, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Lot Lines extend to the Waters Edge.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC D 248.593.1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Juana Essmaker, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2007, and recorded on April 24, 2007 in Liber 686 on Page 630, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Sixteen And 11/100 Dollars (\$115,416.11), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 7, Block 11, Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 2 of Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case, the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC H 248.593.1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #187573F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eugene D. Restainer and Myrna L. Restainer, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 13, 2002, and recorded on March 12, 2003 in Liber 623 on Page 332, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Two And 79/100 Dollars (\$35,782.79), including interest at 9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said

mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 26 North, Range 3 West. Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34, thence North (along the North and South 1/4 line), 993.03 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 331.01 feet to the South 1/8 line; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes East (along the South 1/8 line), 328.24 feet; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds East, 331.06 feet; thence South 88 degrees 59 minutes 30 second West, 328.29 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #140699F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michael Weaver and Rhonda Weaver, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Equifirst Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 24, 2007 and recorded January 30, 2007 in Liber 685 Page 106 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Eighty-One Cents (\$102,192.81) including interest 8.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, and Lots 45, 46, 47 and 48, Block 3, Portage Heights, Grayling Township, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as 10356 Monroe Ave, Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 8, 2008 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Mortgagee: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd, Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 08-87210

-14-21-28-6

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mort-

gage made by: Terry L. Adkinson and Patricia L. Adkinson, Husband and Wife to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 17, 2004 and recorded September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 Page 697 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of Ameriquet Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2004-R11, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Six Cents (\$88,228.06) including interest 11.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on April 2, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 5, Gryling Manor, According to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 551 Pembroke Dr, Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 22, 2008 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of Ameriquet Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2004-R11,

Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd, Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 08-87265

-28-6-13-20

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Chad Hawley and Amy Hawley, Husband and Wife to Olympus Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 29, 2004 and recorded December 9, 2004 in Liber 672 Page 826 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$71,732.95) including interest 10.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on March 26, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 11, Block 1, Brink's Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as 210 Rolla St., Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 14, 2008 Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1,

Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd, Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 08-87327

-21-28-6-13

## Grayling Township Planning Commission to hold public hearing

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will meet in public session on Tuesday, March 25th, 2008, at 7 p.m., in the town hall to hear public comment on the following zoning requests:

Case No. # 08-01	Site plan review
Petitioner: Douglas Dragush Feri	
Address: 6843 West M-72	
	Grayling, MI 49738
Local Address: same	
Property ID# 040-02-012-11-140-00	
Location: T26N, R4W, Sec. 12	
Zoning: General Commercial - C-1	
Request:	Request to build a 75-foot by 120-foot convenience store on property currently being used for motel.
Zoning justification:	Ordinance 2003-02, Article VIII, Section 8.01 Ordinance 2003-02, Article VIII, Section 8.02.A Ordinance 2003-02, Article VIII, Section 8.02.E Ordinance 2003-02, Article VIII, Section 8.01.H

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

Terry Wright  
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator



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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
March 7, 1985

The most extensive mapping system ever owned by Crawford County, or perhaps any county in the state, arrived at the county courthouse last week. Crawford is the first county in the state to receive the maps through the Michigan Resource Inventory Program, created in 1979. The county jumped at state and regional grants offered to participants and wound up being the first county to complete the comprehensive mapping system.

A winter snow storm Monday forced the cancellation of district basketball tournament action at Grayling High School.

In wrestling, Barsie Cross was crowned state champion, at 185 pounds, for class C on Saturday, and set a Grayling High School record for his undefeated 21-0 record.

The Grayling volleyball team added two more match wins in their last week of action to close their season with a 13-2 dual match record. The Viking volleyballers finished 19-8 overall, after a win in the opening round of districts and a loss in the semi-finals.

At the 87th Annual Convention of the Independent Insurance Agents of Michigan, held recently at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn, George L. Stancil of the Cornell Insurance in Grayling was honored. Stancil was pre-

sented with the Capitol Award for "distinguished service to the Independent Agency System through work with the legislature."

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners voted 6-0 last Thursday to notify the county building authority they would like six or seven additional offices created at the courthouse. The commissioners OK'd architectural plans for a project not to exceed \$14,275 and sent their request to the building authority.

46 Years Ago  
March 8, 1962

The sophomore class at Grayling High School is very busily working on their play "Lock, Stock and Lipstick," which will be presented on March 23.

The Grayling basketball team nailed down a second tie with the Harbor Springs Rams by virtue of a come from behind victory over the Gaylord Blue Devils. Tim Neal, hot as a proverbial firecracker, kept Grayling in the game with 33 big points on 15 field goals and 3 out of 4 on free throws.

On Feb. 27, the Grayling Moose independent basketball team downed the Bay City independent team by a score of 73-52. Ron Larson was high scorer for Grayling with 18, Gary Springs added 16, Doug Lott 13 and Jerry Korhonen 8.

The St. Mary's team, in the Jumbo basketball league, consists of Dennis Rochette, Bob Cinciala, Dick Lobsinger, Keith Bobenmoyer, Mike Gorman, Doug Nielson, Tom Latuszek, Mark Jurkovich, Kim Lovely, Rodney Lobsinger and Tom Hempel. They are coached by Leo Lovely.

The Frederic Eagles came up with two victories last week to end their regular cage season. They will enter district play in Gaylord, against Bellaire.

69 Years Ago  
March 9, 1939

Alfred Hummel, well-known Maple Forest resident and owner of Maple Hill Dairy, announced that he has just installed the latest type of pasteurizing apparatus. All milk and cream from his dairy is pasteurized and of the highest quality.

John Bruun, manager of the Grayling State Savings Bank who is spending a month in Denmark, called the bank on the telephone Monday from Copenhagen. He wanted to know how everything was, know about his horse and dog and wanted to remember his Grayling friends. This is probably the first time that Grayling and Copenhagen, Denmark, were ever connected by phone.

George Annis should be happy because of this fine sap weather. Freezing at night, thawing during the day and "sugar" snow makes the sap run. George knows how to make delicious maple syrup and maple sugar.

The rains and thaws of last

week did so much damage to the facilities at the Grayling Winter Sports Park, that it has been closed for the season.

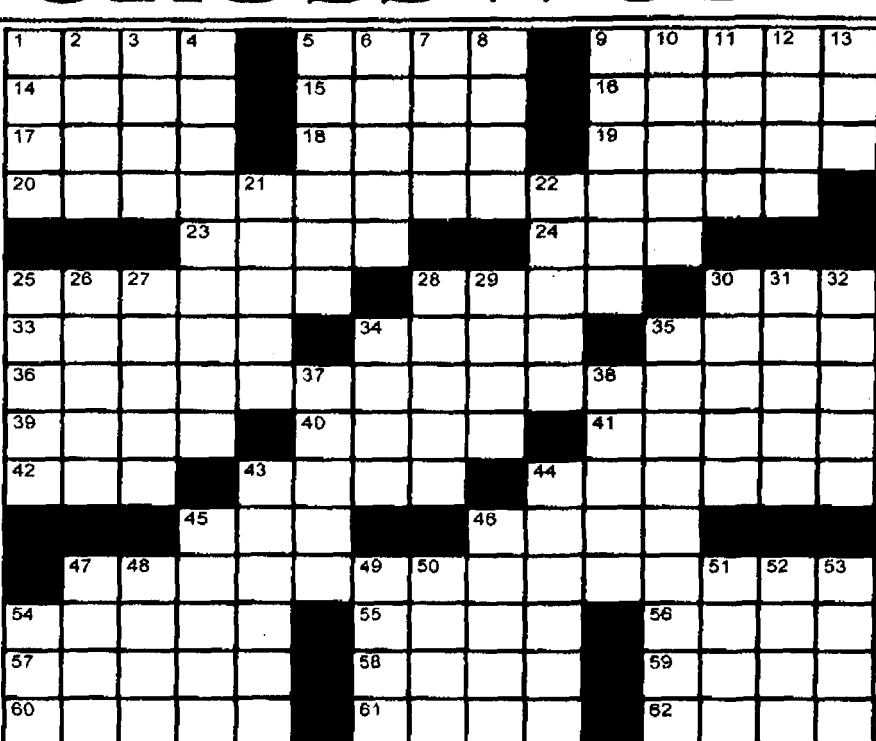
Grayling High School was recently presented with an exhibit showing the various steps in the hatching of rainbow trout eggs and the development of the fry to fingerlings at an age of 4 months. This exhibit was prepared by George Bielaski and presented to the school, courtesy of the Grayling Fish Hatchery.

92 Years Ago  
March 9, 1916

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hanson, and C.C. Fink, returned the first of the week from Chicago, where they purchased new furnishings for the new hotel. The decorating for the dining room is finished and is beautiful. The work was done by Nemesius Nielson of Grayling. Waldemar Jensen is doing the office decorations, which is a guarantee that it will be beautiful as well.

Friday evening, the following members of the freshman class formed a sleighride party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephen. Charles Gierke, Patsy McKay, Loyl Cameron, Walter Doroh, Percy Failing, Irene Nielson, Hazel Cassidy, Ruby Olson, Erdine McNeven, Kathryn Brady, Lucille McPhee, Louise Salling, Hazel Robinson, Phoebe Johnson, Gertrude Foley and Beatrice Richardson.

## CROSSWORD



### Across

1. Fit snugly into
5. Erupt
9. Ski
14. Available
15. Blanched
16. Cream used in cooking
17. Barinas
18. Iridescent ge
19. Charged, in a way
20. Missing
23. Nut
24. Criticize, slangily
25. White-and-black bearlike mammals
28. Crude group?
30. "Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)
33. "Four Quartets" poet
34. U.S. naval station
35. Soon, to a bard
36. Despite anything to the contrary
39. Wild goose with white adult plumage
40. Very small things, slangily
41. Archer, at times
42. Ring bearer, maybe
43. Cambodian currency
44. Being 10 more than 80
45. Afflict
46. Dugout, for one
47. In a single-minded manner
54. Jollity
55. Large open course with 9 or 18 holes
56. Dissolute man in fashionable society
57. Heads-up
58. Around the bend
59. Ancient Andean
60. Derby prize
61. "Let it stand"
62. 1951 N.L. Rookie of the Year

### Down

1. Type of balsam tree
2. Reflection
3. Cavity in which the large intestine begins
4. Easily assembled and dismantled furniture
5. Thread winders
6. New Guinea
7. Brio
8. Shoe strengthener
9. Sour to the taste
10. College faculty members
11. City near Lake Tahoe
12. Arabic for "commander"
13. "Wait a..."
21. Cousin of a raccoon
22. Swelling
25. Coin worth 100th of the value of the basic unit
26. Bowl
27. Fertilizer ingredient
28. Common black European thrush
29. Taps
30. Cartoon art
31. Fair-sized musical group
32. Burned up
34. Clarified butter used in Indian cooking
35. For the time being
37. Weave used to produce the effect of parallel diagonal ribs
38. Water nymph
43. That which is due to a person by law
44. Like some yogurt
45. Cavern, in poetry
46. Drivel
47. Launch site
48. Angers
49. Breakfast choice
50. Alternative to a fence
51. Lady of Lisbon
52. Actress Lawless
53. Affirmative votes
54. Fold, spindle or mutilate

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



3/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup whole-wheat flour or peanut flour  
1/2 cup old fashioned oats  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda,  
Pinch salt  
1/4 cup white sugar

Preheat oven to 350°F. In a medium bowl, combine flours, oats, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Stir with a fork to blend. Set aside. Place butter and sugars in a large bowl; beat with a mixer at medium speed until well combined and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add peanut butter and beat until blended. Add egg and egg white; beat until combined. Fold in peanuts and chocolate chips. Spread mixture evenly on a 13x9x2-inch baking pan lightly rubbed with butter or sprayed with canola-based cooking spray. Bake for 30 minutes. Cool in pan 10 minutes on a wire rack. Remove from pan, and cut into 12 approximately 4-inch long by 2-inch wide bars; let cool completely.

## Peanut-Chip Cookie Bars

3/4 cup packed dark brown sugar  
1/4 cup all-natural peanut butter  
1 large egg  
1 large egg white  
1/2 cup chopped unsalted peanuts  
1/4 cup semisweet chocolate chips

Makes 12 Servings

### FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

### SEEK AND FIND

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

AQUARIUS  
ARIES  
CANCER  
CAPRICORN

GEMINI  
LEO  
LIBRA  
PISCES

SAGITTARIUS  
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THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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### MAZE

Find the wishbone.  
Start Here

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## ADOPT A PET



### Pickles

Pickles is a 2 - 3 year old black and white short hair. She is friendly and sweet and very easy to get along with. This girl would make a fine pet for pretty much anyone.

### Brandy

Brandy is an 8 - 10 month old boxer mix. She's a gem of a dog with a beautiful coat and a sweet face. Brandy loves other dogs and is very playful. She is an intelligent, very trainable dog.



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## HOROSCOPES

For the week of March 6, 2008



December 22 - January 19

You begin to stumble on a project at work. Stand back and take a look at the big picture, Capricorn. You're getting caught up in the fine details.



March 21 - April 19

Bravo, Aries! Your attempts to cheer up an old friend work and you see a change in their behavior. Continue your efforts and get others involved to keep up the momentum.



June 22 - July 22

Ha-ha, Cancer. The joke's on you. Laugh it off and watch your tempestuous mood break. Magical moments fill the weekend and result in a burst of artistic inspiration.



September 23 - October 22

Get ready, Libra. Serious challenges are headed your way, but not to worry. You'll tackle them with your usual grace. This time, though, your efforts will not go unnoticed.



January 20 - February 18

Reasoning with a young one is out of the question, Aquarius. You're going to have to get creative to resolve the issue. A change in plans at work provides a short reprieve.



April 20 - May 20

An unexpected trip puts you in a new frame of mind. Time to get crackin' on all of those little things you've been putting off, Taurus. A friend shares some news.



July 23 - August 22

Advice pours in regarding an incident at work. Wade through it carefully and try a more direct approach, Leo. A gift is more than it seems.



October 23 - November 21

Creativity bubbles over, Scorpio. You find more than one solution to a slew of problems, including one that has been dogging a family member for months.



February 19 - March 20

Watch your step, Pisces. Three can be a crowd, so before you accept an invitation, make sure your presence is truly needed. A phone call intrigues you.



May 21 - June 21

Golly, Gemini. An authority figure has been watching you closely and your moment to shine has finally come. Don't disappoint them. A small gift comes with strings attached.



August 23 - September 22

Wow, Virgo. Motivation is high at work, and you clear off your desk with ease. Go out to lunch to celebrate your accomplishments. You deserve it.



November 22 - December 21

You've got a few tricks up your sleeve when it comes to dealing with children, Sagittarius. Use them to keep everything under control at a family event.

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## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Snow Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
2/26	36	26	0						
2/27	33	6	0						
2/28	14	-10	0	High 30	High 20	High 26	High 33	High 35	High 35
2/29	22	-10	0	Low 14	Low 9	Low 18	Low 21	Low 23	Low 24
3/1	25	14	3						
3/2	28	-2	0	Snow Showers	Snow Showers	Partly Cloudy	Few Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Rain/Snow Showers
3/3	48	45	0						

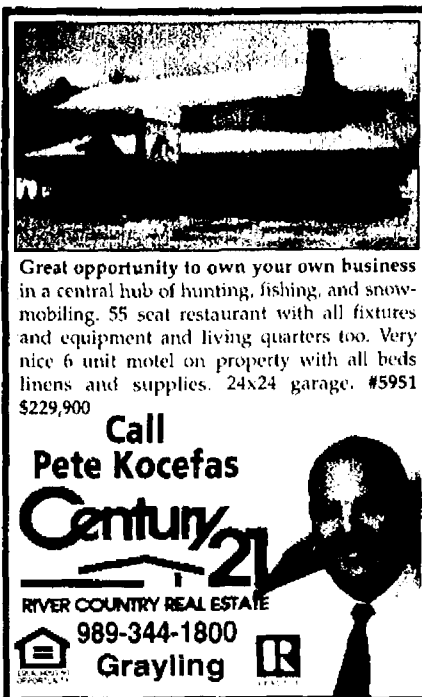


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## 1. Real Estate



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## 1. Real Estate

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**FIVE ACRES** both sides river, both sides road. Three bedroom 2 bath ranch. Two possible bedroom plus family room, storage in walk-out basement. Pole building across road 989-348-8524. (11/08/2007tf/1)

**INCOME PROPERTY FOR SALE.** 2 duplexes and commercial building, all rented, owner wants to retire. 348-8471. (-14-21-28-6/1)

## 2. For Rent

**MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT** \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

**OFFICE SPACE** in Roscommon, great location. \$475 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (1/10/08tf/2)

**3 BEDROOM CHALET** 1 1/2 baths, fully furnished, 2 car garage, \$525 + utilities + security deposit. References required. Warblers Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. 989-348-4950 or 989-344-6001. (-28-6/2)

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**NICE CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450 per month, no pets. 989-348-2418. (-28-6-13-20/2)

## 2. For Rent

**TWO BEDROOM HOUSE,** 1/2 mile from Bear Lake. \$470 a month, small pets welcome. Call 231-275-6887. (-6/2)

**CABIN AND MOBILE HOME** at Lost Acres Cabins, 1 room cabin #1 \$275 Cabin #6, #4 \$375, includes utilities, near Blue Gill Lake. 11010 N. Old US 27, 2 br mobile home, \$395, (new paint, carpet, windows) plus utilities & security, no pets. 11006 N. Old US 27 877-227-6976. (2/7/08tf/2)

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## 2. For Rent

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**REDUCED**



**7.4 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS** CLOSE TO SKYLINE 1,357 s.f., three bedrooms, and 1 1/2 baths. Home features custom kitchen with quality cabinetry, heated sunroom, ceramic tile kitchen and dining room, and master bedroom with downwall onto rear 12x12 deck. 30x24 garage, 10x33 workshop, sprinkling system, drywall hookup for camper, and 14x40 concrete approach. Ask about Express Path Financing. CH-2636 \$74,000

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**SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOM HOME LOCATED ON M-33 IN MIO** Location is great for home or business. 1,540 s.f., partial basement, large garage, three season porch, and larger upstairs bedroom. CH-2611 \$27,900

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**DISTINCTIVE ARCHITECTURE** This ultimate cedar sided home offers all you want. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, vaulted ceilings. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, built-in dishwasher, built-in microwave, washer and dryer. Gas fireplace with stone surround. Large cedar deck. Sprinkler system. Very nice subdivision off 4 Mile Rd. with mature trees on cul-de-sac with nice homes on paved road. CS-2515 \$157,000

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**HUNT - FISH - SNOWMOBILE!!** Perfect home or cabin situated on 10 acres with 30x40 pole barn. 962 s.f., 2 bedrooms, and one bath. Enjoy the quiet outdoors from your screened in porch or covered deck. Property offers large pole barn, shed, dog kennel, enclosed wood storage, and garden area. CH-2619 \$99,900

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**2-10 ACRE PARCELS** 10 Acres of planted Red Pine. Great Hunting, Investment Property, Recreational or Nice Building site. 331x1327 each. CS-2541 & CS-2542 \$18,500 EACH

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Home offers lots of space with a walk-out basement onto a cement patio and fenced in yard. Large fenced in area with a 6' high fence with fencing for large animals. Pole barn with lean-to, chicken coops and sheds. State land to the North. Also a #434 Woodmaster Outdoor Wood burner. The home is being sold "AS IS". Handicap access throughout the home. #23261 \$145,900

**Residential**




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**Residential**




Large family home with room to roam. Four bedrooms, 2 bath, new roof in 2007, central air, gas log fireplace, and 2 large decks #255063 \$89,500

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This 2 bedroom, 2 full-bathroom mobile home is located on 3/76 acres across from state land. It features newer metal roof, hot water heater, furnace, central A/C, dishwasher, washer, dryer and vinyl windows throughout. #253771 \$45,000

**Reduced Residential**



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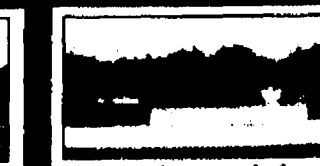
Comfy cabin on 20 acres with propane lighting, heat, cooking, refrigeration and wood stove. Nice covered porch, full kitchen w/ sink, stove, refrigerator and bar seating for 4. Living room & bedrooms. All have wainscoting, carpeting and furnished with Queen beds. 5 insulated dual pane windows, framed in Lath. Bath with a path, adjoins state land to the north. #24592 \$60,000

**Residential**



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**Residential**



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**Crossword Answers**

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Program dollars of approximately \$220,000 will be available. Wagner-Peyser funds total \$160,000 and WIA funds are \$60,000.

A Bidder's Conference will be held on Monday, March 10, 2008 at 1:30 p.m., in the Onaway Michigan Works! Service Center. Request for Proposal packages may be requested prior to the conference or obtained at that time.

Requests for proposals should be made to Terry L. Basel, Program Coordinator, Michigan Works! Northeast Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, MI 49765. The proposal deadline for submission is Friday, April 18, 2008, at 12:00 p.m. at the Northeast Michigan Consortium, Onaway, Michigan. Proposals that are received past the deadline, faxed or emailed will not be considered.

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## 8. Announcements

## 5. For Sale

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**J. DAP** celebrates St. Patrick's Day. Stop by J. Jap Co gift store and guess how many chocolate gold coins are in the container. The winner receives a \$25 J. Dap gift certificate and the coins! Hurry though, the winner will be announced on March 17! J. Dap Co is located at 118 Michigan Ave., in Grayling. (-6-13/5)

## 6. Wanted

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## 9. Personals



## 6. Wanted

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**GENTLY USED BOOKS** for the Crawford County Library book sale, March 13 & 14. Please drop off at the library during regular hours. Call 348-9214 if any questions. (-28-6/6)

## 7. Miscellaneous

**FREE GUINEA PIGS** to good home. Call 989-889-5184. (-6-13/7)

**FOUND** on 3-2-08: Tabby cat near Eagle Point. Please call 348-5696 if this is your lost kitty. (-6/7)

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**ACROSS THE BLOCK AUCTIONS** has changed it's name to: Juliae Auction & Appraisal Service. Watch for signs advertising their upcoming Estate Sale on March 14 & 15 & upcoming appraisal dates & auctions. (-28-6/8)

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## 8. Announcements

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**HALL FOR RENT.** American Legion Post 106, Grayling, with kitchen. All occasions. Contact manager 348-7232. (-6-20-3-17-1-15/8)

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